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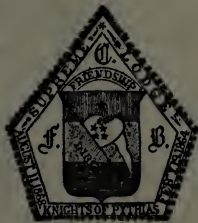
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PRELIMINARY MEMBERSHIP STATEMENTS AND ANNUAL  
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ALSO

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## PRELIMINARY REPORT

COMPILED FROM ANNUAL REPORTS OF GRAND LODGES FOR  
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1918.

OFFICE OF THE SUPREME KEEPER OF RECORDS AND SEAL,

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN., May 8, 1919—P. P. LVI.

*To the Supreme Chancellor and the Order at Large:*

In submitting this preliminary report showing the experience of the order for the calendar year of 1918, it is to be regretted that its publication has been delayed by reason of the inability of this office to receive complete reports from grand lodges and subordinate lodges under immediate control. Even at this writing not all reports have been received, and the reader is therefore admonished that the tabulations and statistics as herein shown for the year last past will be subject to change when all reports finally shall have been received. These corrections in the membership and financial statements will be shown in the official tables published in the fiscal year report, in July.

The year 1918 was one of the most unusual, in many respects, that this order ever has experienced, conditions quite entirely attributable to the "war period" and the fearful epidemic that wrought not only its terrible toll, but so seriously interfered with the ordinary work and conventions of lodges, both grand and subordinate. Even when reciting these conditions, in a spirit of self defence on the part of the order at large, we nevertheless cannot refrain from again reminding the order that, generally speaking, there does not seem to be any very good reason why it should require, in our organized fraternity, three months' time for lodges to qualify with such business statements as the preparation of semi-annual and yearly reports—with the known condition that, with this length of time allowed by law, not all reports are received. We hazard the further statement that, in the majority of cases, grand lodges are compelled to prepare their annual reports without having received reports from all subordinate lodges in their respective domains. Judging by past experience, and correspondence with grand keepers of records and seal, it seems safe to say that fully five hundred subordinate lodges are delinquent each year when the time arrives that grand lodges, by law, must forward their annual reports. In the opinion of the writer, two months should be made the time limit for grand lodges to render their annual reports, with limit of four or six weeks for subordinate lodges to report after the end of the official term. But perhaps we are expecting too much.

During the past few years much concern has been given to the fact that the order has been slipping, even to the extent of a repetition of net losses in membership, and this in spite of the large number of new members initiated each year. The year 1918 shows the worst havoc in the reduction of members that we have been called upon to consider since the very earliest days of the order—the total net membership loss during the past year being 13,652. Only fourteen domains, out of the total of fifty-five, show a net increase, and these gains are comparatively small. West Virginia again reports the largest in-

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crease, a net gain of 1,119 members. The heaviest losses are reported by the larger domains in the order. Hereunder is shown the gross gains and losses, both as to membership and lodges, for the year ending December 31, 1918:

#### SUMMARY OF MEMBERSHIP

|                                          |         |
|------------------------------------------|---------|
| Number of members December 31, 1917..... | 712,547 |
| Initiated during the year.....           | 27,726  |
| Reinstated.....                          | 7,041   |
| Admitted by card.....                    | 9,273   |
| First total.....                         | 756,587 |

#### DEDUCTIONS

|                                                  |         |
|--------------------------------------------------|---------|
| Loss by surrender of charter.....                | 2,642   |
| Suspended for non-payment of dues.....           | 35,303  |
| Expelled.....                                    | 133     |
| Withdrawn by card.....                           | 8,533   |
| Died.....                                        | 11,081  |
| Total deductions.....                            | 57,692  |
| Number of members December 31, 1918.....         | 698,895 |
| Net loss in membership during the year 1918..... | 13,652  |

#### SUMMARY OF RANK

|                               |         |
|-------------------------------|---------|
| Past Supreme Chancellors..... | 8       |
| Past Grand Chancellors.....   | 1,316   |
| Past Chancellors.....         | 146,053 |
| Knights.....                  | 546,178 |
| Esquires.....                 | 2,352   |
| Pages.....                    | 2,988   |
| Total as above.....           | 698,895 |

#### SUBORDINATE LODGES

|                                              |       |
|----------------------------------------------|-------|
| Number of lodges December 31, 1917.....      | 7,118 |
| Instituted during the year.....              | 29    |
| Charters restored.....                       | 13    |
| First total.....                             | 42    |
| Lodges consolidated.....                     | 108   |
| Charters surrendered.....                    | 62    |
| Number of lodges December 31, 1918.....      | 170   |
| Net loss in lodges during the year 1918..... | 128   |

*Note:* Some few changes may be made in the foregoing membership statement when final reports shall have been received from subordinate lodges under immediate control, but such changes will not materially affect the totals as above shown.

#### WHITHER ARE WE DRIFTING?

It is peculiarly distressing to present or read a report of this character, even though we may well understand the causes that contribute to membership losses, and also know, or believe, that the real strength and force of the order, as a power for good, has not been seriously impaired. The total membership of the order today is practically the same as it was twelve years ago: *then*, 698,538; *now*, 698,895. During this same period the total number of

subordinate lodges has been reduced by 845—these lodges having become defunct or consolidated with sister lodges. We cannot afford to shut our eyes to the situation that confronts this order. While, as before stated, the past year was “most unusual,” nevertheless the order, also the nations wherein it is principally represented, have passed through several seriously depressing periods. The initiation of only 27,726 new members during 1918 is the smallest number reported since the low record made thirty-three years ago. Every student member will think seriously of these things. That all who read this report may have a better understanding of the membership experience of this order during the past decade, we call attention to the appended tabulation showing the number of members initiated, suspended, and deducted by surrender of charter, for each year during the past ten-year period:

| <i>Year</i> | <i>Number<br/>Initiated</i> | <i>Suspended</i> | <i>Charter<br/>Surrender</i> |
|-------------|-----------------------------|------------------|------------------------------|
| 1909.....   | 51,938                      | 48,043           | 3,524                        |
| 1910.....   | 52,472                      | 46,441           | 4,816                        |
| 1911.....   | 48,182                      | 47,557           | 3,836                        |
| 1912.....   | 51,536                      | 45,285           | 2,548                        |
| 1913.....   | 55,141                      | 45,469           | 4,394                        |
| 1914.....   | 53,813                      | 48,102           | 4,125                        |
| 1915.....   | 44,562                      | 50,879           | 2,708                        |
| 1916.....   | 43,389                      | 44,007           | 5,857                        |
| 1917.....   | 39,745                      | 40,965           | 4,907                        |
| 1918.....   | 27,726                      | 35,303           | 2,642                        |
| Totals..... | 468,504                     | 452,051          | 39,357                       |

It will readily be seen by the foregoing tabulation that the initiations average over 46,000 per year, and the suspensions an average of over 45,000—this slight yearly gain being more than offset by losses on account of the surrender of charters of subordinate lodges. The total membership of the order December 31, 1909, was 706,922—a net loss of 8,027 for the past ten-year period. The above table does not take into account the accretions by reinstatement and deposit of card, nor deductions by death, expulsion and withdrawal. For the past few years, communications accompanying official reports have very frequently carried the statement that lodges have been “cleaning house,” removing the “dead timber,” and otherwise discarding the non-productive members. Again, it also is to be observed that grand domains have been vacating the charters of “dead and down” lodges, many of which have been carried along from year to year presumably for the purpose of making a better membership showing, only to discover that such a policy is entirely without meaning from any standpoint, either business or fraternal.

While the contention may be made that a temporary lessening of the membership during any particular year or period may not vitally effect the welfare of the order, it nevertheless is very apparent that this order must realize that it has within itself features of inefficiency that contribute to retard its growth. The spirit, purpose and ideals of this order are worthy of the highest commendation, but the admission of this fact will not work the fruition desired unless proper steps be taken and proper energy expended to more firmly establish the order in a position where its work, service and influence for good shall be made more attractive and command wider admiration. In other words, we must interest and hold our members, and endeavor to make this order signally worth while and essential in the welfare and well being of each community where a lodge is established.

## WIDESPREAD ACTIVITY PREVAILING

Not for many years has there been evidenced such a widespread activity and interest as is now constantly being reported from the great sisterhood of grand domains. Hardly without exception, each domain reports more lodge energy than has been known for a long time. This revival of interest largely finds its expression in the number of new members being admitted, and while this good work is desirable, and to be commended at all times, it must not be overlooked that an institution of the character of this order necessarily must have a greater objective than the initiation of large numbers. With the prevailing low membership fees and general business prosperity, it is not a hard matter for the wide-awake lodge to bring in new recruits, but in so doing, deep concern should be given to every initiatory process in the "making" of Knights of Pythias, and even greater concern must attach to the Pythian responsibility to so fashion and safeguard the order that it may be made that "living force" essential to the attainment of the highest possible plane in fraternal endeavor.

## FINANCIAL STATEMENT

In the matter of the order's finances, the year 1918 makes a decidedly commendable showing. Cash on hand, as reported by grand lodges, is \$16,932.90 in excess of that reported for the year immediately preceding. The receipts of subordinate lodges, despite the great lessening in membership fees, compares very favorably with the 1917 report, while the aggregate disbursements were over \$400,000 less than during the previous year. Very little difference is shown in the comparative statements of the assets of grand lodges and subordinate lodges. During the past year the subordinate lodges expended for relief \$47,823.02 in excess of the amount reported for the preceding year. Another evidence of the order's general prosperity and stability is shown in the fact that its "investments" and "real estate" holdings, combined, show an increase of \$1,414,540.72 over the last year. With the slight reduction in aggregate receipts, this excess in investments has naturally reduced the cash on hand. Subordinate lodges also report that "current expenses" were reduced nearly \$200,000. The following table will show the gross receipts and disbursements of the order during the past year; also grand and subordinate lodge assets:

### GRAND LODGES

|                                      |                       |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Cash on hand, December 31, 1917..... | \$ 293,039.86         |
| Receipts during the year.....        | 817,629.90            |
| First total.....                     | <u>\$1,110,669.76</u> |
| Disbursements during the year.....   | 790,697.00            |
| Cash on hand, December 31, 1918..... | 319,972.76            |
| Total as above.....                  | <u>\$1,110,669.76</u> |

### ASSETS OF GRAND LODGES

|                               |                       |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Cash on hand.....             | \$ 319,972.76         |
| Investments.....              | 575,610.15            |
| Real estate.....              | 2,112,271.63          |
| Furniture, fixtures, etc..... | 69,982.68             |
| Total assets.....             | <u>\$3,077,837.22</u> |



## SUBORDINATE LODGES

|                                      |                |
|--------------------------------------|----------------|
| Cash on hand, December 31, 1917..... | \$2,047,878.44 |
| Receipts during the year.....        | 5,981,193.44   |
| First total.....                     | \$8,029,071.88 |
| Expended for relief.....             | \$1,766,795.38 |
| Current expenses.....                | 3,639,943.48   |
| Invested during the year.....        | 897,769.34     |
| Cash on hand, December 31, 1918..... | 1,724,563.68   |
| Total as above.....                  | \$8,029,071.88 |

## ASSETS OF SUBORDINATE LODGES

|                                    |                 |
|------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Cash on hand.....                  | \$1,724,563.68  |
| Investments.....                   | 6,038,193.84    |
| Real estate.....                   | 6,858,385.69    |
| Paraphernalia, furniture, etc..... | 3,703,942.76    |
| Total assets.....                  | \$18,325,085.97 |

*Note:* The foregoing financial statement necessarily will be revised when official tables are prepared, by reason of the fact that final and correct information relative to financial matters has not been received from all grand and subordinate lodges; these changes, however, will not materially affect the totals as shown above.

## THE PARAMOUNT PYTHIAN NEED

The order of Knights of Pythias must have some higher objective than the mere ambition to enroll members. Experience has taught, and more especially during the past ten years, that we cannot afford to rely solely upon the ambition and energy of lodges to conduct membership campaigns merely for the purpose of hurriedly initiating many thousands of recruits. We are confronted with the hard, cold fact that our losses are exceeding the gains, and that we have yet to discover and fix upon some higher objective—some plan of action, some fixed purpose, some plane of communion and unity, that shall stem the suspension flood, interest the membership, and more firmly establish this order in the fabric of human welfare.

Our first duty is to cultivate an atmosphere of enterprise—that character of enterprise that shall denominate this order as a leader in fraternal endeavor. As a direct result of the world war, we must be more outspoken in teaching patriotism—not merely the voicing of platitudes, but by concrete examples and direct influence in every community where the Pythian altar is established. We must give more heed to things that have to do with community, state and national welfare. Our membership must be educated, co-ordinated and enthused to a higher recognition of Pythian responsibility, individually and collectively, to the end that it shall be known of all men that this order squarely stands for, and supports, the highest ideals of citizenship and human welfare. As an order, we must be more closely identified with the great affairs of life—fraternally, socially and morally,—and above all, that in every endeavor and relation, the order's influence for good shall not be confined merely among ourselves, but shall broaden to the wider field of larger service.

## CONSTRUCTIVE PROGRAM NECESSARY

Reviewing present conditions, and impressed with the fact that this order is not progressing as it should progress, it must be apparent to the average member that constructive plans be devised to re-vitalize Pythian energy and meaning. This note of warning is sounded with the clear conviction that the great brotherhood of this order yearns to welcome a more definite program of action, and with this thought in mind we submit a few suggestions for the con-

sideration of the general membership, realizing, however, that whatever is proposed may not appeal to all members.

The official reports of the order afford appropriate mediums for the presentation of measures and methods. With the candid admission that, possibly, we have undertaken to cover "too much territory," the following suggestions are submitted for what they may be worth—with the view to future welfare and the Pythian ambition to progress:

*Financial Conservation.* Current expenses of subordinate lodges, aside from relief expenditures and investments, average about four million dollars annually; grand lodge disbursements have a yearly average of eight hundred thousand dollars; the biennial budget of the Supreme Lodge carries appropriations of about one hundred and sixty thousand dollars. The suggestion is offered that a considerable saving may be made in the authorized expenditures of the several bodies, and that the funds thus conserved may be used to greater advantage in promoting the general welfare.

*Field Deputies.* Systematic field work and lodge instruction is a matter of decided importance in the order's development. The Supreme Lodge should have in its employ a number of members, first-class men, who, as deputies, are capable of rendering adequate field service, and available at all times to grand domains. Their compensation should be borne by the Supreme Lodge, and arrangements made with grand lodges to share in the cost of such work, whereby the maintenance and traveling expenses shall be assumed by grand domains wherein this service is rendered.

*Pythian Homes.* The order at large should undertake the maintenance of an international home for aged and indigent members, also a home for the care and education of orphans, and a sanitarium for members afflicted with tuberculosis and pulmonary diseases. As regards the "homes," it would seem reasonable to take over, assist, or nationalize, some of the institutions already established.

*National Pythian Paper.* There is need for an official Pythian publication not only as a medium of communication among members of the order but to accentuate Pythian education, information, and general promotion work. It has repeatedly been suggested that such a publication should be sent to all members of the order, but we hold to the opinion that a circulation of 100,000 copies monthly would suffice to cover the field and supply all members occupying official positions in the various Pythian bodies—meaning the officers of all subordinate lodges, grand lodges, deputies, committees, grand and supreme representatives—and in addition thereto the maintenance of a general circulation list among members of the order who express a desire to receive the official publication.

*Pythian Capitol.* While it may be a far cry to indulge the thought or hope, the suggestion is made that the Pythian order should be first among the larger fraternities of its character to establish international headquarters in its own Capitol building, in some city to be selected by the Supreme Lodge—for instance, the City of Washington, birthplace of the order—wherein should be established the official headquarters of every department and auxiliary of the order, and from which would radiate all governmental work, and all enterprises to carry forward the order's activities.

*Building Program.* Grand lodges should maintain their business headquarters, if possible, in a distinctively Pythian building located in the most accessible city in each domain. In every community wherever possible, and especially in the larger centers of population, the order should occupy its building, or at least maintain headquarters thoroughly in keeping with Pythian needs. Too many lodges are "tenant" occupants of obscure rooms in buildings of varying utility. In every Pythian city of any prominence it should be known generally by the people in these communities where the

Knights of Pythias is established. The suggestion of such a building program does not mean an attempt to raise funds of the tremendous magnitude required to erect Pythian temples at the sole expense of such fund—but, rather, that the Supreme Lodge shall be in position to substantially aid and encourage such enterprises.

*Pythian Foundation Fund.* Any constructive program must be considered from the standpoint of its adaptability and permanent character, and will require not only earnest application, but adequate finances. Whatever is undertaken must have for its objective the elements of constructive development. Steps should be taken to establish a Pythian Foundation Fund for the purpose of doing the larger things to which the order should be committed, measures as herein suggested, and similar projects—the fund to be raised by an adequate and convenient system of permanent revenue, such as a moderate income of five or ten cents per year from each member; a portion of each initiation fee, say one dollar per applicant or a fixed percentage; and by donations, bequests and free-will offerings. We are sufficiently sanguine in our appreciation of the progressive spirit of the order to believe that many members would be pleased to be enrolled as annual contributors to such a Foundation Fund; also that there are members who, in the full knowledge of waning life, would gladly make provision to bequeath from their estate substantial assistance to such a fund. Upon the commemoration of the order's natal day, which, always and everywhere, should be made an occasion of decided Pythian importance, an opportunity should be afforded the general membership to make a free-will offering to this fund.

In reviewing the foregoing suggestions, it is barely possible that some may consider this program as being more visionary than practical, but these thoughts are submitted with the utmost candor and with the sole purpose of drawing attention to enterprises that are intended for the order's welfare and development, and also to draw out from all earnest thinkers, suggestions that may be embraced for the substantial good of the order.

Appended hereto, and as a part of this report, attention is called to the accompanying statement showing the gains and losses in membership and lodges during the year last past.

Fraternally submitted,

  
S. K. R. S.

## STATEMENT SHOWING GAINS AND LOSSES—YEAR 1918

| GRAND DOMAINS             | LODGES |       |       | MEMBERSHIP |       |        |
|---------------------------|--------|-------|-------|------------|-------|--------|
|                           | Total  | Gain  | Loss  | Total      | Gain  | Loss   |
| Alabama.....              | 196    | ..... | ..... | 10,019     | ..... | 52     |
| Alberta.....              | 25     | ..... | ..... | 1,146      | 42    | .....  |
| Arizona.....              | 26     | ..... | 2     | 2,104      | ..... | 107    |
| Arkansas.....             | 114    | ..... | 9     | 4,626      | ..... | 154    |
| British Columbia.....     | 36     | ..... | 2     | 3,061      | ..... | 169    |
| California.....           | 225    | ..... | 2     | 23,652     | ..... | 528    |
| Colorado.....             | 76     | ..... | 2     | 6,695      | 62    | .....  |
| Connecticut.....          | 67     | ..... | ..... | 8,575      | ..... | 143    |
| Delaware.....             | 17     | ..... | 1     | 1,910      | ..... | 32     |
| District of Columbia..... | 16     | ..... | ..... | 1,070      | ..... | 22     |
| Florida.....              | 73     | ..... | ..... | 5,479      | ..... | 427    |
| Georgia.....              | 164    | ..... | 8     | 10,356     | ..... | 247    |
| Idaho.....                | 43     | ..... | ..... | 3,141      | ..... | 46     |
| Illinois.....             | 468    | ..... | 13    | 51,425     | ..... | 2,192  |
| Indiana.....              | 479    | ..... | 9     | 62,366     | ..... | 2,507  |
| Iowa.....                 | 255    | ..... | 16    | 23,746     | ..... | 240    |
| Kansas.....               | 118    | ..... | 1     | 8,134      | ..... | 267    |
| Kentucky.....             | 182    | ..... | ..... | 10,090     | ..... | 522    |
| Louisiana.....            | 97     | ..... | ..... | 5,565      | 4     | .....  |
| Maine.....                | 143    | ..... | ..... | 16,891     | ..... | 76     |
| Manitoba.....             | 15     | ..... | 1     | 1,132      | ..... | 59     |
| Maritime Provinces.....   | 28     | ..... | ..... | 3,524      | ..... | 62     |
| Maryland.....             | 92     | ..... | 2     | 9,847      | ..... | 222    |
| Massachusetts.....        | 172    | ..... | 2     | 25,408     | ..... | 1,051  |
| Michigan.....             | 168    | ..... | ..... | 23,834     | ..... | 668    |
| Minnesota.....            | 76     | ..... | 6     | 6,771      | ..... | 598    |
| Mississippi.....          | 123    | ..... | 5     | 6,098      | ..... | 244    |
| Missouri.....             | 235    | ..... | 3     | 23,600     | ..... | 709    |
| Montana.....              | 40     | ..... | 2     | 3,470      | 16    | .....  |
| Nebraska.....             | 121    | ..... | 5     | 6,450      | ..... | 44     |
| Nevada.....               | 25     | ..... | ..... | 1,649      | ..... | 119    |
| New Hampshire.....        | 64     | ..... | ..... | 6,489      | ..... | 224    |
| New Jersey.....           | 118    | ..... | 5     | 14,352     | ..... | 281    |
| New Mexico.....           | 20     | 2     | ..... | 1,398      | 110   | .....  |
| New York.....             | 196    | ..... | 2     | 21,346     | ..... | 576    |
| North Carolina.....       | 114    | ..... | 8     | 7,092      | ..... | 22     |
| North Dakota.....         | 36     | ..... | ..... | 2,890      | 34    | .....  |
| Ohio.....                 | 621    | ..... | 13    | 86,765     | ..... | 973    |
| Oklahoma.....             | 118    | 2     | ..... | 6,776      | 575   | .....  |
| Ontario.....              | 30     | ..... | 1     | 3,359      | ..... | 55     |
| Oregon.....               | 78     | ..... | ..... | 8,194      | 495   | .....  |
| Pennsylvania.....         | 433    | ..... | ..... | 57,288     | ..... | 1,976  |
| Quebec.....               | 11     | ..... | 1     | 817        | ..... | 20     |
| Rhode Island.....         | 24     | ..... | ..... | 2,643      | ..... | 103    |
| South Carolina.....       | 137    | ..... | ..... | 10,027     | 27    | .....  |
| South Dakota.....         | 52     | ..... | 1     | 2,745      | ..... | 38     |
| Tennessee.....            | 139    | ..... | 2     | 7,502      | ..... | 274    |
| Texas.....                | 261    | ..... | 5     | 20,952     | 83    | .....  |
| Utah.....                 | 21     | ..... | 1     | 1,494      | 15    | .....  |
| Vermont.....              | 33     | ..... | ..... | 2,431      | ..... | 77     |
| Virginia.....             | 80     | ..... | 1     | 7,475      | 51    | .....  |
| Washington.....           | 111    | ..... | 7     | 10,481     | ..... | 222    |
| West Virginia.....        | 228    | 5     | ..... | 25,693     | 119   | .....  |
| Wisconsin.....            | 113    | ..... | 2     | 15,725     | 313   | .....  |
| Wyoming.....              | 16     | ..... | 1     | 1,299      | ..... | 46     |
| Subordinate Lodges.....   | 21     | ..... | 1     | 1,828      | ..... | .....  |
| Totals.....               | 6,990  | 9     | 137   | 698,895    | 2,946 | 16,598 |



## FISCAL YEAR REPORT OF THE Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal 1919

OFFICE OF THE SUPREME KEEPER OF RECORDS AND SEAL,  
MINNEAPOLIS, JULY 30, 1919—P.P. LVI.

*Hon. Charles S. Davis, Supreme Chancellor:*

Quoting from the Supreme Statutes, Section 12, wherein it is provided that "the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal shall prepare and transmit to the Supreme Chancellor, as soon as possible after the expiration of the fiscal year which ends during a recess of the Supreme Lodge, a report of the transactions of his office during said fiscal year," your attention and careful examination is requested in the study of this fiscal year review, with the earnest hope that each member of the Supreme Lodge, and all others who may receive a copy, will be equally concerned and interested in its perusal.

The fact that the statutes require this office to submit fiscal year reports brings up the thought that the long-ago custom under the then "general laws" of the order, requiring the Supreme Chancellor and other officers to submit to the order what were known and termed, "mid-year reports," may well be restored. This suggestion is based upon the conviction that the bodies of the order, as well as student members generally, would appreciate receiving comprehensive annual reports concerning the conditions and work of the order, same conveying appropriate messages of current thought, such as are regularly submitted in the official biennial reports presented to the Supreme Lodge upon occasion of its stated conventions.

Fiscal year reports of this office very largely are confined to financial statements, and while these reports properly should be of this nature, every report of an official character, with reasonable limitations, may well be a medium for the presentation of thoughts and matters having to do with the general work of the order, and the various forms of activity that engage Pythian ambition and attention.

### CALENDAR YEAR MEMBERSHIP.

In the "preliminary report" as published by this office, May 8, 1919, showing membership statistics for the year ended December 31, 1918, attention was called to the fact that some slight changes might be made in the preparation of official tables, these changes being necessary by reason of incomplete reports available at that time. The official tables in this report, "a" to "g," both inclusive, should be carefully examined. The total and correct membership of the order on December 31, 1918, was 698,840, a difference of only 55 members as shown in the preliminary report. The appended summary will show the membership experience during 1918:

|                                                                                              |         |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|
| Number of members December 31, 1917.....                                                     | 712,547 |
| Accretions by initiation, reinstatement and card.....                                        | 44,240  |
| First total.....                                                                             | 756,787 |
| Deductions by surrender of charter, suspension, death, expulsion and withdrawal by card..... | 57,947  |
| Number of members December 31, 1918.....                                                     | 698,840 |

From the foregoing tabulation it will be seen that the net membership loss during the year 1918 was the appalling total of 13,707—the largest single-

year "slump" this order has experienced for more than a generation, and due entirely to causes with which every lodge, and most every member, is quite familiar. The total number of subordinate lodges on December 31st, last, was 6,989—a loss of 129 lodges during the year 1918.

### CURRENT YEAR A "HUMMER."

The war is over. The "flu" disappeared. Castle halls, long closed; promptly reopened. Members denied lodge-room fraternization re-gathered around the altars. The "boys" came home. From the signing of the armistice, the magical word, "peace," was spoken from millions of lips, and, Phoenix-like, the order arose from the "ashes of the past," and once again the hum of activity resounded in lodge circles where quietness long had held sway. Never, heretofore, has Pythian knighthood experienced such an awakening as has been noted during the past eight months, and at no time in all the order's history has there come such enthusiastic and glowing reports of "work" and "activity" as have been received during this brief period. It may be a little early to predicate on the results that will be shown when the official reports of the current year shall have been compiled, but we are sanguine enough to indulge the expression that every indication points to the belief that the net membership gain this year will be more than sufficient to wipe out the total loss of 1918. Those who have taken careful note of the great work being done have been pleased to estimate a net gain anywhere from 10,000 to 25,000. Unless present indications are decidedly unreliable, every grand domain should report a membership increase this year. Where this is not done, the fault entirely lies with the domain itself. But membership gain is not the principal goal of this order, nor should it be. Pythian knighthood has higher hopes for its future. Its plan, its meaning, its purpose in society calls for "service" in every relation where fraternal influence may be exerted for community benefit and for the general welfare. The whole world is being re-made, and in this process of reconstruction and newer developments, this order will fashion itself for constructive undertakings wherein its importance and usefulness shall be measured by higher standards than have heretofore been emphasized.

### SUPREME LODGE FINANCES.

In our fiscal year report of two years ago, the statement was made that "the receipts for that year were the highest ever known," but the record for the year just ended, despite the low ebb of activity during the war period, is quite equal to the high water mark previously reported. Financial statements and tabulations are "dry reading" for the average member of the order, but such statements as regards the business done by the Supreme Lodge should be of deep interest to every member of that body, and we trust of equal interest to all those who are concerned in the order's business affairs. The appended tabulation will show the total receipts of this office from all sources for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1919:

|                                       |             |             |
|---------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Grand lodge per capita tax.....       | \$52,784.38 |             |
| Subordinate lodge per capita tax..... | 789.50      |             |
| Sale of official supplies.....        | 25,579.91   |             |
| Penalties—Grand Lodges.....           | 32.00       |             |
| Interest—General Fund.....            | \$2,807.56  |             |
| Interest—Wilmington, Del., land.....  | 397.01      |             |
|                                       |             | 3,204.57    |
| Refund—Insurance Department.....      | 546.56      |             |
| Refund—Military Department.....       | 134.33      |             |
| Refund—Imperial Palace, DOKK.....     | 18.12       |             |
| Refund—Convention Expenses, 1916..... | 150.00      |             |
|                                       |             | 849.01      |
| Total receipts for fiscal year.....   |             | \$83,239.37 |



## COMPARATIVE STATEMENTS.

That the reader may have a better understanding of the volume of business done by this office during a given six-months' period, we submit the following statement of receipts for the first half of the years named hereunder, calling particular attention to the showing of 1919 as compared with that of 1918:

|                        | 1917               | 1918               | 1919               |
|------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| January receipts.....  | \$ 3,161.23        | \$ 1,868.03        | \$ 2,140.29        |
| February receipts..... | 4,429.68           | 3,051.57           | 3,146.64           |
| March receipts.....    | 24,968.64          | 25,394.15          | 21,584.89          |
| April receipts.....    | 8,124.59           | 5,017.95           | 13,558.17          |
| May receipts.....      | 3,959.18           | 2,536.80           | 3,763.91           |
| June receipts.....     | 2,459.04           | 2,177.99           | 3,894.60           |
|                        | <u>\$47,102.36</u> | <u>\$40,046.49</u> | <u>\$48,088.50</u> |

Comparative showing relative to the sale of supplies for like months during the corresponding periods covering the past three years is set out in the appended tabulation. In this table it also will be seen that the first six months of the current year show a decided advance in sales over the year immediately preceding, also an excess over the so-called "high" record of 1917:

|                     | 1917               | 1918               | 1919               |
|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| January sales.....  | \$ 3,728.59        | \$ 2,672.73        | \$ 3,313.94        |
| February sales..... | 4,026.07           | 2,765.52           | 3,111.47           |
| March sales.....    | 4,286.96           | 2,634.25           | 3,545.43           |
| April sales.....    | 3,035.24           | 2,505.37           | 3,187.59           |
| May sales.....      | 2,364.58           | 1,943.19           | 3,411.80           |
| June sales.....     | 2,221.44           | 1,874.28           | 4,105.45           |
|                     | <u>\$19,662.88</u> | <u>\$14,395.34</u> | <u>\$20,675.68</u> |

The current month of July shows a continuation of "record" business, the sale of supplies for this month, on the date of the preparation of this report, being in excess of \$3,800, as against \$1,823.38 for 1918, and \$2,032.48 in 1917. As must be generally understood, the mid-summer period is "vacation season" in lodge activities, but this year the months of June and July show a volume of business done by this office of practically fifty per cent greater than for the corresponding months for the past ten years. The best index of the order's activity is its consumption of official supplies, and on this score the present year and period "leads all the rest."

## CASH WORTH AND BOOK ASSETS.

The financial "worth" of the Supreme Lodge, at any given date, is always a matter of interest. Two years ago we were pleased to call attention to the then excellent showing of the cash and account value, aggregating \$82,388.04. This year, at the close of the fiscal year ended June 30, our assets show an increase of \$21,591.48 in excess of 1917, or a total of \$103,979.52, as under:

|                                                  |                     |
|--------------------------------------------------|---------------------|
| Cash on hand, Supreme Master of Exchequer.....   | \$ 81,365.69        |
| Wilmington, Delaware, land, balance due.....     | 7,500.00            |
| Office furniture and fixtures, book account..... | 1,182.58            |
| Merchandise stock, official supplies.....        | 8,978.60            |
| Due from grand domains, supplies sold.....       | 4,952.65            |
|                                                  | <u>\$103,979.52</u> |

In the inventory value of supplies on hand, the showing this year is \$914.47 in excess of two years ago, all of which supplies are fully paid for. The appended summary shows the value of these supplies in their respective groups:

|                  |            |
|------------------|------------|
| Jewels.....      | \$2,914.76 |
| Jewel cases..... | 68.92      |
| Cards.....       | 139.56     |
| Blanks.....      | 1,272.20   |
| Books.....       | 4,612.28   |

Total inventory value of supplies.....\$9,007.72

## ASSETS OF THE ORDER.

The assets of the order as a whole is a matter in which every member may take pardonable pride, in that it evidences a cash and property strength in keeping with numerical standing. As was stated in the preliminary report this year, while there has been a serious lessening in membership, the finances of the order indicate splendid solidarity and improvement. The following tabulation shows the combined assets of the Supreme Lodge, grand lodges and subordinate lodges, as to cash, property, supplies and investments:

|                                                     |                 |
|-----------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Supreme Lodge—cash, property, supplies.....         | \$ 103,979.52   |
| Grand Lodges—cash, investments, property.....       | 3,112,504.94    |
| Subordinate lodges—cash, investments, property..... | 18,559,803.05   |
| Total assets of the order.....                      | \$21,776,287.51 |

As will be seen in the appended summary, the cash assets of the order aggregate \$2,121,755.12, which is practically the same as that reported in the fiscal year report of two years ago:

|                                            |                |
|--------------------------------------------|----------------|
| Supreme Lodge, June 30, 1919.....          | \$ 81,365.69   |
| Grand Lodges, December 31, 1918.....       | 319,326.98     |
| Subordinate Lodges, December 31, 1918..... | \$1,721,062.45 |
| Total cash assets of the order.....        | \$2,121,755.12 |

## FEDERAL TAX ON JEWELS.

By reason of the provisions of the U. S. Revenue Act of 1918, imposing excise tax on works of art and jewelry, and other so-called "luxuries," this office received inquiries from grand lodges asking whether they were required to pay Federal tax on jewels and emblems sold by them to subordinate lodges and individual members. From this correspondence it appeared that grand lodges, and even some of the collectors of internal revenue, were in doubt as to the proper application of the Federal law with respect to the tax requirement on jewels sold by grand lodges.

In order to clarify this misunderstanding, this office took up the matter direct with the Commissioner of Internal Revenue, at Washington, D. C., explaining to him the full situation as regards the "consumption and use" of jewels and emblems furnished by this office to the order at large, contending, in substance, "that the Federal tax having been paid in the first instance by the Supreme Lodge, no further tax should be required on the sale of said jewels by grand lodges to subordinate lodges and individual members." A prompt response was made by the commissioner and the same is set forth in full, as hereunder:

OFFICE OF  
COMMISSIONER OF INTERNAL REVENUE

TREASURY DEPARTMENT  
WASHINGTON, July 2, 1919.

*Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias,  
Attention of Fred E. Wheaton, S. K. R. S.,  
MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.  
Gentlemen:*

Referring to your letter of June 21st regarding the taxability under Section 905 of the Revenue Act of 1918 of the resale by you to grand lodges, subordinate lodges and individual members, of emblems and jewels on which you have paid the tax, you are advised that *the sale of such articles to you is held to be a sale for "consumption and use,"* as defined in Article 20 of Regulations 48, a copy of which is enclosed. *No further tax, therefore, attaches to the sale of these articles by you to grand lodges and subordinate lodges.*

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Respectfully,  
DANIEL C. ROPER,  
Commissioner.

## APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES.

The 1918 biennial convention of the Supreme Lodge authorized appropriations to the extent of \$177,482.00 to cover the expenses of the Supreme government for the ensuing two-year period. With the close of the fiscal

year, June 30, 1919, there had been expended \$78,015.98, leaving an unexpended balance of \$100,251.61. The appended table shows all appropriations as contained in the 1918 biennial budget, also gross expenditures therefrom, with the unexpended balances, at the close of the current fiscal year:

| <i>Account</i>                                    | <i>Appropriation</i> | <i>Expended</i> | <i>Balance</i> |
|---------------------------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------|----------------|
| Supreme Chancellor's Salary.....                  | \$ 10,000.00         | \$ 4,000.00     | \$ 6,000.00    |
| Supreme Chancellor's Office Expenses.....         | 6,000.00             | 1,538.03        | 4,461.97       |
| Supreme Chancellor's Traveling Expenses.....      | 4,000.00             | 1,185.83        | 2,814.17       |
| Supreme Vice Chancellor's Traveling Expenses..... | 2,500.00             | 638.46          | 1,861.54       |
| Supreme Keeper R. S. Salary.....                  | 10,000.00            | 4,200.00        | 5,800.00       |
| Supreme Keeper R. S. Chief Clerk.....             | 4,000.00             | 1,670.00        | 2,330.00       |
| Supreme Keeper R. S. Stenographer.....            | 2,160.00             | 900.00          | 1,260.00       |
| Supreme Keeper R. S. Office Rent.....             | 2,850.00             | 1,170.00        | 1,680.00       |
| Supreme Keeper R. S. Office Expenses.....         | 1,000.00             | 372.15          | 627.85         |
| Supreme Keeper R. S. Traveling Expenses.....      | 1,500.00             | 414.65          | 1,085.35       |
| Supreme Master of Ex. Salary.....                 | 2,400.00             | 1,000.00        | 1,400.00       |
| Supreme Master of Ex. Office Expenses.....        | 200.00               | 53.12           | 146.88         |
| Supreme Master of Ex. Traveling Expenses.....     | 300.00               | 194.84          | 105.16         |
| Committee on Finance.....                         | 2,500.00             | 679.82          | 1,820.18       |
| Supreme Tribunal Expenses.....                    | 2,500.00             | 458.05          | 2,041.95       |
| Reporter Supreme Tribunal.....                    | 200.00               | .....           | 200.00         |
| Miscellaneous Printing.....                       | 1,500.00             | 605.90          | 894.10         |
| Emergency Fund.....                               | 3,000.00             | 58.15           | 2,941.85       |
| General Expense Fund.....                         | 2,500.00             | 1,394.47        | 1,105.53       |
| Miss L. S. S. Rathbone.....                       | 1,200.00             | 500.00          | 700.00         |
| Mrs. Mary B. Vanderveer.....                      | 1,200.00             | 500.00          | 700.00         |
| Mrs. Catherine E. Richie.....                     | 1,200.00             | 500.00          | 700.00         |
| Convention Expenses 1918.....                     | 35,120.88            | 30,171.49       | 4,949.39       |
| Printing Official Record.....                     | 2,934.66             | 2,668.73        | 265.93         |
| Military Department.....                          | 14,530.00            | 3,351.61        | 11,178.39      |
| Purchase of Official Supplies.....                | 50,050.05            | 17,953.29       | 32,096.76      |
| Supplies Expense.....                             | 1,000.00             | 451.72          | 548.28         |
| Committee on Printing and Supplies.....           | 400.00               | 47.35           | 352.65         |
| Past Supreme Chancellor Jewel.....                | 150.00               | 150.00          | .....          |
| Furniture and Fixtures.....                       | 200.00               | 182.58          | 17.42          |
| Maritime Provinces Penalty.....                   | 22.00                | 22.00           | .....          |
| Pythian Education.....                            | 5,000.00             | 933.74          | 4,066.26       |
| Supreme Lodge Relief Fund.....                    | 5,000.00             | 50.00           | 4,950.00       |
| Convention Expenses 1920.....                     | 1,150.00             | .....           | 1,150.00       |
| Totals.....                                       | \$178,267.59         | \$78,015.98     | \$100,251.61   |

From the fact that the foregoing table shows that the appropriations as listed total \$785.59 in excess of the total of the 1918 biennial budget, the explanation is here made that credits have been entered on the books of this office to the appropriations as shown hereunder for proportionate expenses in connection therewith on the part of the insurance and military departments, also refund on account of convention expenses. These credits are as follows:

|                                       |          |
|---------------------------------------|----------|
| Convention expenses, 1918-1920.....   | \$270.88 |
| Printing Official Record.....         | 434.66   |
| Purchase of Official Supplies.....    | 50.05    |
| Military department, rent refund..... | 30.00    |

Total credits.....\$785.59

A careful examination of expenditures will show that conservatism has been the rule in handling the financial affairs of the Supreme Lodge. All claims against the Supreme Lodge have been carefully audited and approved by the committee on finance before exchequer order has issued. In comparison with the mid-term report of this office for the fiscal year of 1917, the total expenditures this year are \$39,437.76 less than as reported two years ago, the major portion of which difference being the reduced cost of the 1918 convention as compared with the convention of 1916.

#### WAR RELIEF EXPENSES.

Since the adjournment of the Supreme Lodge convention of 1918 the following exchequer orders were issued for the payment of expenses of the

Pythian War Relief Commission, as per statute 76p directing that expenses of the commission be paid out of the "general fund" of the Supreme Lodge. The appended tabulation shows all orders issued for expense purposes up to the time of the decision of the Supreme Tribunal "that there was no appropriation by section 76p of the statute in question, nor by any other statute, for the expense of the Pythian War Relief Commission." The general report of the commission will contain full and complete information relative to the war relief fund, its receipts and disbursements, and the administration of this trust.

| <i>Ex. Order</i> | <i>To Whom</i>                   | <i>For What</i>                 | <i>Amount</i> |
|------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------|
| 6941             | Juergens & Andersen Co.....      | War medals.....                 | \$94.30       |
| 6942             | Murphy-Travis Co.....            | Printing.....                   | 305.00        |
| 6963             | Thomas D. Meares, S. M. E.....   | Office Expenses.....            | 8.30          |
| 6966             | Juergens & Andersen Co.....      | War medals.....                 | 98.90         |
| 6967             | Murphy-Travis Co.....            | Printing.....                   | 55.25         |
| 6989             | Charles S. Davis, S. C.....      | Meeting Chicago.....            | 17.05         |
| 6990             | William Ladew, S. V. C.....      | Meeting Chicago.....            | 33.86         |
| 6991             | Fred E. Wheaton, S. K. R. S..... | Meeting Chicago.....            | 71.74         |
| 6992             | John J. Brown, P. S. C.....      | Meeting Chicago.....            | 35.47         |
| 6993             | Tracy R. Bangs, P. S. C.....     | Meeting Chicago.....            | 104.25        |
| 6994             | D. Sidney Woodworth, S. R.....   | Meeting Chicago.....            | 123.56        |
| 6997             | Walker Taylor, Agt.....          | Premium S. M. E. bond.....      | 775.00        |
| 6998             | Murphy-Travis Co.....            | Printing.....                   | 96.75         |
| 6999             | Juergens & Anderson Co.....      | War medals.....                 | 156.40        |
| 7016             | Peoples Savings Bank.....        | Safety deposit box.....         | 4.00          |
| 7017             | Murphy-Travis Co.....            | Printing.....                   | 153.00        |
| 7018             | Juergens & Andersen Co.....      | War medals.....                 | 135.70        |
| 7020             | Jackson & Bell Co.....           | Cash book, etc.....             | 11.75         |
| 7038             | Fred E. Wheaton, S. K. R. S..... | Printing.....                   | 3.75          |
| 7043             | Murphy-Travis Co.....            | Printing.....                   | 32.75         |
| 7048             | J. B. McCabe, Acct.....          | Examining S. M. E. accounts.... | 25.00         |
| 7064             | Charles S. Davis, S. C.....      | Meeting Philadelphia.....       | 89.31         |
| 7065             | William Ladew, S. V. C.....      | Meeting Philadelphia.....       | 28.44         |
| 7066             | Fred E. Wheaton, S. K. R. S..... | Meeting Philadelphia.....       | 140.00        |
| 7067             | Tracy R. Bangs, P. S. C.....     | Meeting Philadelphia.....       | 209.26        |
| 7068             | D. Sidney Woodworth, S. R.....   | Meeting Philadelphia.....       | 55.56         |
| 7069             | John J. Brown, P. S. C.....      | Meeting Philadelphia.....       | 95.13         |
| 7078             | Thomas J. Carling, P. S. C.....  | Meeting Philadelphia.....       | 95.26         |
| 7104             | Juergens & Andersen Co.....      | War medals.....                 | 8.96          |
| 7133             | Murphy-Travis Co.....            | Printing.....                   | 230.50        |
| Total.....       |                                  |                                 | \$3,294.20    |

### MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

In connection with expenditures from the appropriation to the military department, the committee on finance has followed the rule adopted some few years ago of making sub-division appropriations on the recommendation of the major general, which appropriations run for semi-annual periods, the total in each instance being \$2,840. As will be shown by the appropriation table, the expenditures to June 30, 1919, totalled \$3,351.61. At the time of the preparation of this report, July statements, approved and paid, amounted to \$421.24 additional.

### OFFICIAL SUPPLIES AND PRICE LIST.

Attention is called to the fact that, although the cost of official supplies furnished by this office has materially increased in several instances, no advance has been made in the prices of these supplies since the promulgation of Supplement No. 1 of the Catalogue and Price List, dated December 20, 1917. In the matter of official jewels, the charge for engraving and the Federal excise tax has increased the cost of these supplies to this office to an extent that necessitates a revision of the official price list. The same, or similar, conditions obtain in some of the printed and lithographed supplies, for which reasons it will be in order for this office and the committee on supplies to prepare and promulgate at an early date another supplement contain-



ing such changes in prices as are necessary to meet existing conditions. These changes, however, will not mean any particular increase in supplies as a whole.

### FALL SEASON ACTIVITIES.

Fully realizing that the order at large is now enjoying greater prosperity than has been experienced for many years, it behooves every subordinate lodge to take full advantage of prevailing conditions to the end that the "harvest of good work" shall be accelerated to the utmost during the coming "fall and winter season." Each lodge that has not already done so, should at once appoint a committee on "new members," said committees to be composed of members who are alive and alert, and who, in their activities, will not subordinate quality to quantity in the introduction of applicants for the ranks. The collection of dues is decidedly an important matter, and a committee on "suspended and delinquent members" should promptly be appointed in every lodge where conditions require that special attention be given to this work aside from the regular procedure. To do that character of "work" that should be the pride of every lodge, the injunction, "put your house in order," should be the aim of each lodge. Responsibility in this direction lies primarily upon the officers of the lodge. Thoroughness in conducting all ceremonies of initiation should be the outstanding ambition in portraying the order's ritualism, and in this connection the instruction and examination of candidates in each rank should not be slighted in a single instance. Aside from its private affairs, such as conferring ranks, each and every lodge should make itself a factor for "service" and its home community—an indispensable force in public and patriotic endeavor. An outstanding feature of Pythian progression was emphasized in the legislation of the Supreme Lodge convention of 1918 directing each subordinate lodge to appoint a "committee on entertainment," to provide from time to time lectures, addresses, debates, etc., that will be instructive, interesting and elevating to the membership. When properly carried out, the good influences of such programs will tend to establish each lodge as a dominating factor in social and community welfare.

### QUARTERLY FINANCE REPORTS.

We are pleased to direct attention to the quarterly reports of the committee on finance, as contained in this fiscal year report, also the tables and tabulations showing the work of the order at large, and the financial and numerical showing of grand domains and subordinate lodges under immediate control.

Fraternally submitted,

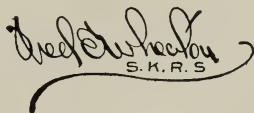
  
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TABLE "A"—SUPREME LODGE TRIAL BALANCE, AT CLOSE OF BUSINESS, JUNE 30, 1919.

| ACCOUNTS                      | Face of Ledger |            | Balances  |           |
|-------------------------------|----------------|------------|-----------|-----------|
|                               | Dr.            | Cr.        | Dr.       | Cr.       |
| Alabama.....                  | \$1,425 96     | \$1,142 44 | \$283 52  |           |
| Alberta.....                  | 163 45         | 163 45     |           |           |
| Arizona.....                  | 713 44         | 639 82     | 73 62     |           |
| Arkansas.....                 | 418 19         | 401 45     | 16 74     |           |
| British Columbia.....         | 389 09         | 379 94     | 9 15      |           |
| California.....               | 3,018 47       | 2,854 54   | 163 93    |           |
| Colorado.....                 | 1,080 38       | 872 68     | 207 70    |           |
| Connecticut.....              | 947 77         | 927 47     | 20 30     |           |
| Delaware.....                 | 212 07         | 182 35     | 29 72     |           |
| District of Columbia.....     | 197 32         | 197 32     |           |           |
| Florida.....                  | 828 49         | 794 88     | 33 61     |           |
| Georgia.....                  | 1,079 12       | 998 70     | 80 42     |           |
| Idaho.....                    | 327 24         | 322 42     | 4 82      |           |
| Illinois.....                 | 5,671 31       | 5,465 21   | 206 10    |           |
| Indiana.....                  | 6,390 61       | 6,314 97   | 75 64     |           |
| Iowa.....                     | 2,802 79       | 2,649 59   | 153 20    |           |
| Kansas.....                   | 795 18         | 775 79     | 19 39     |           |
| Kentucky.....                 | 1,156 22       | 923 12     | 233 10    |           |
| Louisiana.....                | 792 54         | 641 19     | 151 35    |           |
| Maine.....                    | 1,665 69       | 1,635 69   | 30 00     |           |
| Manitoba.....                 | 271 04         | 271 04     |           |           |
| Maritime Provinces.....       | 295 47         | 291 87     | 3 60      |           |
| Maryland.....                 | 1,010 77       | 963 93     | 46 84     |           |
| Massachusetts.....            | 2,897 59       | 2,752 59   | 145 00    |           |
| Michigan.....                 | 3,277 67       | 3,161 67   | 116 00    |           |
| Minnesota.....                | 714 77         | 699 87     | 14 90     |           |
| Mississippi.....              | 868 18         | 595 89     | 272 29    |           |
| Missouri.....                 | 2,951 34       | 2,832 01   | 119 33    |           |
| Montana.....                  | 671 85         | 564 59     | 107 26    |           |
| Nebraska.....                 | 834 57         | 734 69     | 99 88     |           |
| Nevada.....                   | 240 57         | 168 14     | 72 43     |           |
| New Hampshire.....            | 726 71         | 669 11     | 57 60     |           |
| New Jersey.....               | 1,807 55       | 1,625 01   | 182 54    |           |
| New Mexico.....               | 317 17         | 317 17     |           |           |
| New York.....                 | 2,473 11       | 2,337 92   | 135 19    |           |
| North Carolina.....           | 672 87         | 660 87     | 12 00     |           |
| North Dakota.....             | 274 70         | 274 70     |           |           |
| Ohio.....                     | 9,653 36       | 9,363 19   | 290 17    |           |
| Oklahoma.....                 | 924 18         | 810 81     | 113 37    |           |
| Ontario.....                  | 506 38         | 460 30     | 46 08     |           |
| Oregon.....                   | 2,165 03       | 1,967 86   | 197 17    |           |
| Pennsylvania.....             | 5,633 27       | 5,646 34   |           | 13 07     |
| Quebec.....                   | 271 33         | 251 58     | 19 75     |           |
| Rhode Island.....             | 350 79         | 350 79     |           |           |
| South Carolina.....           | 849 64         | 840 54     | 9 10      |           |
| South Dakota.....             | 367 15         | 333 15     | 34 00     |           |
| Tennessee.....                | 981 97         | 894 11     | 87 86     |           |
| Texas.....                    | 2,961 45       | 2,787 07   | 174 38    |           |
| Utah.....                     | 254 46         | 254 46     |           |           |
| Vermont.....                  | 501 83         | 447 67     | 54 16     |           |
| Virginia.....                 | 938 02         | 796 42     | 141 60    |           |
| Washington.....               | 1,910 13       | 1,616 77   | 293 36    |           |
| West Virginia.....            | 3,550 94       | 3,365 96   | 184 98    |           |
| Wisconsin.....                | 2,259 18       | 2,259 18   |           |           |
| Wyoming.....                  | 602 01         | 602 01     |           |           |
| District of Alaska.....       | 58 72          | 58 72      |           |           |
| District of Australia.....    |                |            |           |           |
| District of Canal Zone.....   | 238 05         | 249 45     |           | 11 40     |
| District of Hawaii.....       | 366 00         | 325 67     | 40 33     |           |
| District of Philippines.....  | 28 25          | 46 53      |           | 18 28     |
| District of Saskatchewan..... | 433 15         | 382 68     | 50 47     |           |
| Miscellaneous Sales.....      | 1,399 39       | 1,317 94   | 81 45     |           |
| Cash.....                     | 83,239 37      | 83,239 37  |           |           |
| N. W. National Bank.....      | 85,417 36      | 85,417 36  |           |           |
| Supreme M. of Exchequer.....  | \$173,837 16   | 92,471 47  | 81,365 69 |           |
| General Account.....          |                | 72,347 00  |           | 72,347 00 |

TABLE "A"—TRIAL BALANCE—*Continued*

| ACCOUNTS                                | Face of Ledger |              | Balances     |              |
|-----------------------------------------|----------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
|                                         | Dr.            | Cr.          | Dr.          | Cr.          |
| Wilmington, Delaware Real Estate.....   | \$7,500 00     |              | \$7,500 00   |              |
| Furniture and Fixtures.....             | 1,182 58       |              | 1,182 58     |              |
| Profit and Loss.....                    |                |              |              |              |
| Interest.....                           |                | 3,204 57     |              | 3,204 57     |
| Brandon Printing Co.....                | 203 52         | 203 52       |              |              |
| The M. C. Lilley & Co.....              | 102 50         | 102 50       |              |              |
| Murphy-Travis Co.....                   | 11,383 92      | 14,574 47    |              | 3,190 55     |
| Juergens & Andersen Co.....             | 13,683 84      | 16,556 32    |              | 2,872 48     |
| Emil Weissbrod & Sons.....              | 429 78         | 429 78       |              |              |
| Ever-Ready Label Co.....                | 472 60         | 472 60       |              |              |
| American Paper Prod. Co.....            | 22 47          | 22 47        |              |              |
| S. C. Salary.....                       | 4,000 00       |              | 4,000 00     |              |
| S. C. Office Expense.....               | 1,538 03       |              | 1,538 03     |              |
| S. C. Traveling Expense.....            | 1,185 83       |              | 1,185 83     |              |
| S. V. C. Traveling Expense.....         | 638 46         |              | 638 46       |              |
| S. K. R. S. Salary.....                 | 4,200 00       |              | 4,200 00     |              |
| S. K. R. S. Clerical Force.....         | 2,570 00       |              | 2,570 00     |              |
| S. K. R. S. Office Rent.....            | 1,170 00       |              | 1,170 00     |              |
| S. K. R. S. Office Expense.....         | 372 15         |              | 372 15       |              |
| S. K. R. S. Traveling Expense.....      | 414 65         |              | 414 65       |              |
| S. M. E. Salary.....                    | 1,000 00       |              | 1,000 00     |              |
| S. M. E. Office Expense.....            | 53 12          |              | 53 12        |              |
| S. M. E. Traveling Expense.....         | 194 84         |              | 194 84       |              |
| Allowance Miss L. S. S. Rathbone.....   | 500 00         |              | 500 00       |              |
| Allowance Mrs. M. B. Vanderveer.....    | 500 00         |              | 500 00       |              |
| Allowance Mrs. C. E. Richie.....        | 500 00         |              | 500 00       |              |
| Miscellaneous Printing.....             | 675 90         |              | 675 90       |              |
| Emergency Expense.....                  | 58 15          |              | 58 15        |              |
| General Expense.....                    | 1,394 47       |              | 1,394 47     |              |
| 1918 Convention Expense.....            | 30,171 49      | 120 88       | 30,050 61    |              |
| Official Record.....                    | 2,668 73       | 434 66       | 2,234 07     |              |
| Military Department.....                | 3,351 61       | 30 00        | 3,321 61     |              |
| Supplies Expense.....                   | 457 26         | 5 54         | 451 72       |              |
| Committee on Printing and Supplies..... | 47 35          |              | 47 35        |              |
| Supreme Tribunal Expense.....           | 458 05         |              | 458 05       |              |
| Pythian Education.....                  | 933 74         |              | 933 74       |              |
| Committee on Finance.....               | 679 82         |              | 679 82       |              |
| P. S. C. Jewel.....                     | 150 00         |              | 150 00       |              |
| Special Convention Expense.....         | 497 14         |              | 497 14       |              |
| War Relief Expense.....                 | 3,294 20       |              | 3,294 20     |              |
| Maritime Provinces Refund.....          | 22 00          |              | 22 00        |              |
| Supreme Lodge Relief Fund.....          | 50 00          |              | 50 00        |              |
| 1920 Convention Expense.....            |                | 150 00       |              | 150 00       |
| Fines.....                              |                | 32 00        |              | 32 00        |
| Charter Fees.....                       |                |              |              |              |
| Grand Lodge Per Cap. Tax.....           |                | 77,659 92    |              | 77,659 92    |
| Subordinate Lodge Per Capita Tax.....   |                | 995 50       |              | 995 50       |
| Merchandise—Stock Ledger.....           | 33,206 23      | 24,227 63    | 8,978 60     |              |
| Cost of Goods Sold.....                 | 23,796 70      |              | 23,796 70    |              |
| Merchandise Sales.....                  |                | 30,480 11    |              | 30,480 11    |
| Domain Accounts.....                    | 87,543 00      | 82,590 35    | 4,952 65     |              |
| Domain Accounts Balance.....            |                | 4,952 65     |              | 4,952 65     |
|                                         | \$673,353 96   | \$673,353 96 | \$195,927 53 | \$195,927 53 |

TABLE "B"—CASH ACCOUNT

| Dr.                                                          | Cr.                                 |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 1918-1919                                                    | 1918                                |
| Received from Grand Lodge Per<br>Capita Tax.....\$52,784.38  | July 31 Paid S. M. E.....\$1,663.20 |
| Received from Subordinate Lodge<br>Per Capita Tax.....789.50 | Aug. 31 " ".....3,022.32            |
| Received from Interest.....3,204.57                          | Sept. 30 " ".....5,000.00           |
| Received from Fines.....32.00                                | Oct. 31 " ".....21,433.26           |
| Received from Refunds.....849.01                             | Nov. 30 " ".....1,100.84            |
| Received from Sale of Supplies.....25,579.91                 | Dec. 31 " ".....2,931.25            |
|                                                              | 1919                                |
|                                                              | Jan. 30 " ".....2,140.29            |
|                                                              | Feb. 28 " ".....3,146.64            |
|                                                              | Mar. 30 " ".....10,000.00           |
|                                                              | Apr. 30 " ".....25,143.06           |
|                                                              | May 31 " ".....3,763.91             |
|                                                              | June 30 " ".....3,894.60            |
|                                                              | \$83,239.37                         |

TABLE "C"—ABSTRACT OF ANNUAL REPORTS OF GRAND LODGES FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1918

| GRAND DOMAINS       | FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF GRAND LODGES         |                                 |       |                                 |                                             |                                 |                             |            |                                  |                                 |             |              |                                |              | Annual Report re-<br>ceived by S. K. R. S. |                                               |
|---------------------|---------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------|--------------|--------------------------------|--------------|--------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|
|                     | No. of subordinate<br>lodges, Dec. 31, 1917 | Instituted and reor-<br>ganized | Total | Suspended and con-<br>solidated | No. of subordinate<br>lodges, Dec. 31, 1918 | Amount on hand<br>Dec. 31, 1917 | Receipts during<br>the year | Total      | Disbursements<br>during the year | Amount on hand<br>Dec. 31, 1918 | Investments | Real Estate  | Furniture, Fix-<br>tures, etc. | Total Assets |                                            | Amount of semi-<br>annual per cap-<br>ita tax |
|                     |                                             |                                 |       |                                 |                                             |                                 |                             |            |                                  |                                 |             |              |                                |              |                                            |                                               |
| Alabama.....        | 196                                         | 1                               | 197   | 2                               | 195                                         | 6,121 70                        | 10,936 76                   | 17,058 46  | 11,582 54                        | 5,475 92                        | .....       | 34,563 50    | 750 00                         | 40,789 42    | 400 76                                     | May 10                                        |
| Alberta.....        | 25                                          | 1                               | 26    | 1                               | 25                                          | 20 33                           | 1,719 00                    | 1,739 33   | 1,670 08                         | 69 25                           | 500 00      | .....        | 175 00                         | 744 25       | 45 84                                      | April 3                                       |
| Arizona.....        | 28                                          | 1                               | 29    | 3                               | 26                                          | 1,383 84                        | 4,098 18                    | 5,482 02   | 4,595 18                         | 886 84                          | 1,000 00    | 8,000 00     | 250 00                         | 10,136 84    | 84 16                                      | Mar. 25                                       |
| Arkansas.....       | 123                                         | .....                           | 123   | 9                               | 114                                         | 12,501 20                       | 6,008 01                    | 18,509 21  | 7,984 16                         | 10,525 05                       | .....       | .....        | 800 00                         | 11,325 05    | 185 04                                     | Mar. 31                                       |
| Brit. Columbia..... | 38                                          | .....                           | 38    | 2                               | 36                                          | 2,002 71                        | 3,527 06                    | 5,529 77   | 2,775 81                         | 2,753 96                        | 6,353 90    | .....        | 1,575 00                       | 10,682 86    | 122 44                                     | Mar. 27                                       |
| California.....     | 227                                         | 2                               | 229   | 4                               | 225                                         | 11,347 92                       | 39,600 52                   | 50,948 44  | 30,689 28                        | 20,259 16                       | 43,000 00   | .....        | 2,500 00                       | 65,759 16    | 946 08                                     | Mar. 31                                       |
| Colorado.....       | 78                                          | .....                           | 78    | 2                               | 76                                          | 919 90                          | 14,074 93                   | 14,994 83  | 12,807 12                        | 2,187 71                        | 2,394 23    | .....        | 850 00                         | 5,431 94     | 267 80                                     | Mar. 31                                       |
| Connecticut.....    | 67                                          | .....                           | 67    | 1                               | 67                                          | 906 61                          | 6,850 88                    | 7,757 49   | 6,398 71                         | 1,358 78                        | 1,000 00    | .....        | 400 00                         | 2,758 78     | 343 00                                     | Mar. 31                                       |
| Delaware.....       | 18                                          | .....                           | 18    | 1                               | 17                                          | 403 69                          | 2,124 01                    | 2,527 70   | 2,367 16                         | 160 54                          | 1,645 71    | .....        | 586 72                         | 2,392 97     | 76 40                                      | Mar. 22                                       |
| Dist. of Col.....   | 16                                          | 2                               | 18    | 2                               | 16                                          | 164 00                          | 1,049 00                    | 1,213 00   | 1,029 16                         | 183 84                          | 450 00      | .....        | 695 50                         | 1,329 34     | 42 80                                      | Mar. 31                                       |
| Florida.....        | 73                                          | .....                           | 73    | 73                              | 73                                          | 4,338 86                        | 7,306 49                    | 11,645 35  | 8,498 05                         | 3,147 30                        | .....       | .....        | 240 97                         | 3,388 27     | 219 16                                     | Mar. 28                                       |
| Georgia.....        | 166                                         | .....                           | 166   | 2                               | 164                                         | .....                           | 8,378 01                    | 8,378 01   | 8,378 01                         | .....                           | .....       | .....        | 775 00                         | 775 00       | 414 24                                     | Mar. 29                                       |
| Idaho.....          | 43                                          | .....                           | 43    | 43                              | 43                                          | 918 93                          | 5,831 51                    | 6,750 44   | 1,779 45                         | 4,970 99                        | .....       | .....        | 1,020 27                       | 5,991 26     | 125 64                                     | April 12                                      |
| Illinois.....       | 481                                         | 5                               | 486   | 18                              | 468                                         | 1,558 85                        | 35,367 63                   | 36,926 48  | 34,593 05                        | 2,333 43                        | 192,785 82  | 33,000 00    | 10,000 00                      | 238,119 25   | 2,057 00                                   | Mar. 31                                       |
| Indiana.....        | 488                                         | .....                           | 488   | 9                               | 479                                         | 6,087 02                        | 118,274 50                  | 124,361 52 | 117,729 81                       | 6,631 71                        | 9,802 21    | 1,000,000 00 | 7,500 00                       | 1,023,933 92 | 2,494 64                                   | Mar. 24                                       |
| Iowa.....           | 271                                         | .....                           | 271   | 16                              | 255                                         | 5,820 76                        | 23,948 79                   | 29,769 55  | 22,888 88                        | 6,880 67                        | .....       | .....        | 5,795 52                       | 12,676 19    | 949 81                                     | Mar. 31                                       |
| Kansas.....         | 119                                         | 1                               | 120   | 2                               | 118                                         | 2,619 09                        | 18,761 76                   | 21,380 85  | 15,867 39                        | 5,513 46                        | 2,000 00    | 20,000 00    | 1,500 00                       | 24,017 17    | 325 36                                     | Mar. 26                                       |
| Kentucky.....       | 182                                         | 2                               | 184   | 2                               | 182                                         | 356 04                          | 5,836 95                    | 6,192 99   | 5,440 34                         | 752 65                          | .....       | .....        | 1,264 52                       | 7,013 46     | 403 60                                     | Mar. 24                                       |
| Louisiana.....      | 97                                          | 1                               | 98    | 1                               | 97                                          | 36 04                           | 9,529 50                    | 9,566 44   | 9,473 60                         | 92 84                           | .....       | .....        | 1,807 05                       | 1,899 89     | 222 60                                     | Mar. 20                                       |
| Maine.....          | 143                                         | 1                               | 144   | 1                               | 143                                         | 4,544 54                        | 9,015 56                    | 13,560 10  | 8,399 67                         | 5,160 43                        | .....       | .....        | 200 00                         | 5,360 43     | 675 64                                     | Mar. 31                                       |
| Manitoba.....       | 16                                          | .....                           | 16    | 1                               | 15                                          | 640 76                          | 1,275 75                    | 1,916 51   | 1,398 10                         | 518 41                          | .....       | .....        | 300 00                         | 818 41       | 45 28                                      | April 2                                       |
| Maritime Prov.....  | 28                                          | .....                           | 28    | 28                              | 28                                          | 2,011 16                        | 2,453 26                    | 4,464 42   | 1,328 79                         | 3,135 63                        | .....       | 25,000 00    | 18 00                          | 3,153 63     | 140 96                                     | Mar. 31                                       |
| Maryland.....       | 94                                          | 1                               | 95    | 3                               | 92                                          | 3,595 15                        | 12,227 81                   | 15,822 96  | 11,328 79                        | 4,494 98                        | .....       | .....        | 1,000 00                       | 30,249 98    | 393 88                                     | Mar. 28                                       |
| Massachusetts.....  | 174                                         | .....                           | 174   | 2                               | 172                                         | 1,966 23                        | 16,178 96                   | 18,145 19  | 17,265 99                        | 879 20                          | 6,522 49    | .....        | 1,982 91                       | 9,384 60     | 1,016 32                                   | Mar. 31                                       |
| Michigan.....       | 168                                         | .....                           | 168   | 168                             | 168                                         | 9,112 46                        | 22,216 02                   | 31,328 48  | 21,699 13                        | 9,629 35                        | 30,800 00   | .....        | 3,642 82                       | 44,072 17    | 953 36                                     | Mar. 22                                       |
| Minnesota.....      | 82                                          | .....                           | 82    | 6                               | 76                                          | 662 89                          | 12,036 85                   | 12,699 74  | 12,699 74                        | .....                           | .....       | .....        | 343 50                         | 343 50       | 270 84                                     | Mar. 31                                       |
| Mississippi.....    | 128                                         | .....                           | 128   | 5                               | 123                                         | 27 85                           | 7,256 80                    | 7,284 65   | 7,245 30                         | 39 35                           | .....       | .....        | 1,000 00                       | 1,039 35     | 243 92                                     | Mar. 31                                       |
| Missouri.....       | 238                                         | 2                               | 240   | 5                               | 235                                         | 2,957 27                        | 23,624 30                   | 26,581 57  | 21,899 61                        | 4,681 96                        | 18,898 07   | 135,000 00   | 900 00                         | 159,480 03   | 944 00                                     | Mar. 26                                       |
| Montana.....        | 42                                          | .....                           | 42    | 2                               | 40                                          | 836 53                          | 6,362 32                    | 7,198 85   | 6,353 02                         | 845 83                          | 2,646 73    | 2,919 88     | 1,000 00                       | 7,412 44     | 138 80                                     | Mar. 26                                       |
| Nebraska.....       | 126                                         | 1                               | 127   | 6                               | 121                                         | 1,663 26                        | 8,153 80                    | 9,817 06   | 7,976 15                         | 1,840 91                        | 2,206 29    | .....        | 600 00                         | 4,647 20     | 258 00                                     | Mar. 24                                       |
| Nevada.....         | 25                                          | .....                           | 25    | .....                           | 25                                          | 1,956 39                        | 1,579 60                    | 3,535 99   | 1,154 01                         | 2,381 98                        | .....       | .....        | 275 00                         | 2,656 98     | 68 96                                      | Mar. 29                                       |
| New Hampshire.....  | 64                                          | .....                           | 64    | .....                           | 64                                          | 296 63                          | 4,382 69                    | 4,679 32   | 3,483 31                         | 1,196 01                        | .....       | .....        | 700 00                         | 1,896 01     | 259 56                                     | Mar. 20                                       |

TABLE "C"—ABSTRACT OF ANNUAL REPORTS OF GRAND LODGES FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1918—Continued

| FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF GRAND LODGE |                                             |                                 |                                             |                |               |                                  |                                 |             |             |                                |              |                                               |                                            |          |  |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|----------------|---------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------|-------------|--------------------------------|--------------|-----------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|----------|--|
| GRAND<br>DOMAINS                   | No. of subordinate<br>lodges, Dec. 31, 1917 | Suspended and con-<br>solidated | No. of subordinate<br>lodges, Dec. 31, 1918 | Amount on hand |               | Disbursements<br>during the year | Amount on hand<br>Dec. 31, 1918 | Investments | Real Estate | Furniture, Fix-<br>tures, etc. | Total Assets | Amount of semi-<br>annual per cap-<br>ita tax | Annual Report re-<br>ceived by S. K. R. S. |          |  |
|                                    |                                             |                                 |                                             | Dec. 31, 1917  | Dec. 31, 1918 |                                  |                                 |             |             |                                |              |                                               |                                            |          |  |
| New Jersey ..                      | 123                                         | 1                               | 124                                         | 5,268 75       | 8,450 58      | 13,719 33                        | 8,218 67                        | 5,500 66    | 511 90      | .....                          | 693 46       | 9,706 02                                      | 574 08                                     | Feb. 27  |  |
| New Mexico ..                      | 18                                          | 4                               | 22                                          | 151 29         | 3,459 47      | 3,610 76                         | 3,397 80                        | 212 96      | .....       | .....                          | 812 54       | 1,025 50                                      | 55 92                                      | Mar. 29  |  |
| New York ..                        | 198                                         | 2                               | 198                                         | 30 32          | 14,220 27     | 14,250 59                        | 13,934 92                       | 315 67      | 108,385 51  | 51,065 75                      | 450 00       | 160,216 93                                    | 853 84                                     | April 19 |  |
| North Carolina ..                  | 122                                         | .....                           | 122                                         | .....          | 7,622 98      | 7,622 98                         | 7,222 67                        | 400 31      | .....       | .....                          | 706 74       | 1,107 05                                      | 283 68                                     | Mar. 18  |  |
| North Dakota ..                    | 36                                          | .....                           | 36                                          | 1,015 33       | 6,205 67      | 7,221 00                         | 6,589 12                        | 631 88      | 1,500 00    | .....                          | 700 00       | 2,831 88                                      | 115 60                                     | Mar. 3   |  |
| Ohio ..                            | 634                                         | .....                           | 633                                         | 105,310 08     | 129,302 82    | 234,612 90                       | 113,813 89                      | 120,799 01  | .....       | 500,000 00                     | 2,500 00     | 623,299 01                                    | 3,470 60                                   | Mar. 31  |  |
| Oklahoma ..                        | 116                                         | 4                               | 120                                         | 7,099 00       | 8,278 80      | 15,377 80                        | 15,377 80                       | 6,691 71    | 14,897 36   | 1,800 00                       | 1,641 00     | 27,024 45                                     | 271 04                                     | Mar. 31  |  |
| Oregon ..                          | 31                                          | .....                           | 31                                          | 2,497 63       | 2,796 88      | 5,294 51                         | 3,600 99                        | 1,693 52    | 1,019 50    | .....                          | 1,810 23     | 4,523 25                                      | 134 36                                     | Mar. 27  |  |
| Pennsylvania ..                    | 78                                          | 1                               | 78                                          | 2,839 81       | 12,860 72     | 15,700 53                        | 11,905 08                       | 3,795 45    | 4,482 61    | .....                          | 2,134 30     | 10,412 36                                     | 337 76                                     | Mar. 12  |  |
| Rhode Island ..                    | 433                                         | .....                           | 433                                         | 22,618 75      | 26,816 37     | 49,435 12                        | 45,468 62                       | 3,966 50    | 33,662 42   | .....                          | .....        | 37,628 92                                     | 2,291 52                                   | Mar. 31  |  |
| So. Carolina ..                    | 12                                          | .....                           | 12                                          | 539 27         | 1,592 67      | 2,131 94                         | 844 20                          | 1,287 74    | 235 50      | 160 00                         | 140 00       | 1,823 24                                      | 32 68                                      | Feb. 24  |  |
| South Dakota ..                    | 24                                          | .....                           | 24                                          | 1,545 07       | 2,053 20      | 3,598 27                         | 2,144 08                        | 1,454 19    | 500 00      | .....                          | 770 00       | 2,274 19                                      | 105 72                                     | Mar. 3   |  |
| Tennessee ..                       | 138                                         | .....                           | 138                                         | 11,925 67      | 8,749 36      | 20,657 03                        | 8,020 26                        | 12,654 77   | 4,500 00    | .....                          | 500 00       | 17,654 77                                     | 401 08                                     | Mar. 25  |  |
| Texas ..                           | 53                                          | 1                               | 52                                          | 643 10         | 2,268 32      | 2,911 42                         | 2,014 28                        | 897 14      | 300 00      | .....                          | 88 50        | 1,285 64                                      | 109 80                                     | Mar. 31  |  |
| Utah ..                            | 141                                         | 2                               | 143                                         | 130 39         | 18,308 80     | 18,439 19                        | 17,267 01                       | 1,172 18    | .....       | 20,000 00                      | 500 00       | 21,672 18                                     | 300 08                                     | Mar. 24  |  |
| Vermont ..                         | 266                                         | 2                               | 268                                         | 7,595 25       | 58,787 23     | 66,382 48                        | 57,292 51                       | 9,089 97    | 75,309 90   | 215,000 00                     | 644 75       | 300,044 62                                    | 838 08                                     | Mar. 24  |  |
| Virginia ..                        | 22                                          | .....                           | 22                                          | 227 35         | 2,497 67      | 2,725 02                         | 2,400 72                        | 324 30      | 800 00      | .....                          | 360 50       | 1,484 80                                      | 59 76                                      | Mar. 18  |  |
| West Virginia ..                   | 33                                          | .....                           | 33                                          | 126 36         | 2,573 96      | 2,700 32                         | 2,452 99                        | 247 33      | .....       | .....                          | 200 00       | 447 33                                        | 97 24                                      | Feb. 28  |  |
| Wisconsin ..                       | 81                                          | .....                           | 81                                          | 3,281 49       | 6,130 00      | 9,411 49                         | 5,725 02                        | 3,686 47    | .....       | .....                          | 376 00       | 4,062 47                                      | 299 00                                     | Mar. 2   |  |
| Wyoming ..                         | 118                                         | 2                               | 120                                         | 16,160 96      | 17,584 79     | 33,745 75                        | 14,375 13                       | 19,370 62   | .....       | 1,200 00                       | 1,200 00     | 20,570 62                                     | 419 24                                     | Mar. 11  |  |
| Sub. lodges ..                     | 223                                         | 6                               | 229                                         | 2,693 78       | 23,948 23     | 26,642 01                        | 25,738 95                       | 903 06      | 7,500 00    | 100,326 00                     | 850 00       | 109,579 06                                    | 1,027 72                                   | Mar. 29  |  |
|                                    | 115                                         | .....                           | 115                                         | 13,200 68      | 11,954 66     | 25,155 34                        | 11,973 25                       | 13,182 09   | .....       | 3,081 88                       | 16,263 97    | 629 00                                        | Mar. 31                                    |          |  |
|                                    | 17                                          | .....                           | 17                                          | 360 02         | 2,116 00      | 2,476 02                         | 2,164 09                        | 311 93      | .....       | 125 00                         | 436 93       | 51 96                                         | Mar. 28                                    |          |  |
|                                    | 22                                          | .....                           | 22                                          | .....          | .....         | .....                            | .....                           | .....       | .....       | .....                          | .....        | .....                                         | .....                                      | .....    |  |
|                                    | 7118                                        | 43                              | 7161                                        | 293,039 86     | 828,566 66    | 1,121,606 52                     | 802,279 54                      | 319,326 98  | 575,610 15  | 2,146,835 13                   | 70,732 68    | 3,112,504 94                                  | 27,882 68                                  |          |  |



TABLE "D"—ABSTRACT OF ANNUAL REPORTS OF GRAND LODGES FOR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1918,  
SHOWING MEMBERSHIP OF SUBORDINATE LODGES

| GRAND<br>DOMAINS   | Number of members,<br>December 31, 1917 | Initiated | Reinstated | Admitted by card | Total  | Surrender of charter | Suspended | Expelled | Withdrawn by card | Died | Total deductions | Number of members,<br>December 31, 1918 | Net gain | Net loss | CLASSIFICATION OF MEMBERSHIP |                           |                  |         |         |       |     |     |
|--------------------|-----------------------------------------|-----------|------------|------------------|--------|----------------------|-----------|----------|-------------------|------|------------------|-----------------------------------------|----------|----------|------------------------------|---------------------------|------------------|---------|---------|-------|-----|-----|
|                    |                                         |           |            |                  |        |                      |           |          |                   |      |                  |                                         |          |          | Past Supreme<br>Chancellors  | Past Grand<br>Chancellors | Past Chancellors | Knights | Squires | Pages |     |     |
|                    |                                         |           |            |                  |        |                      |           |          |                   |      |                  |                                         |          |          |                              |                           |                  |         |         |       |     |     |
| Alabama.....       | 10,071                                  | 455       | 213        | 344              | 11,083 | 73                   | 661       | ...      | 107               | 223  | 1,064            | 10,019                                  | ...      | ...      | 52                           | ...                       | ...              | 27      | 2,595   | 7,318 | 39  | 40  |
| Alberta.....       | 1,104                                   | 52        | 9          | 1                | 1,166  | ...                  | 15        | ...      | 1                 | 4    | ...              | 20                                      | 42       | ...      | ...                          | 8                         | ...              | ...     | 203     | 932   | ... | 3   |
| Arizona.....       | 2,211                                   | 142       | 20         | 33               | 2,406  | 114                  | 136       | ...      | 26                | 26   | 302              | 2,146                                   | ...      | ...      | ...                          | ...                       | ...              | 373     | 1,690   | ...   | 6   | 14  |
| Arkansas.....      | 4,780                                   | 112       | 133        | 321              | 5,346  | ...                  | 397       | ...      | 238               | 85   | 720              | 4,626                                   | ...      | ...      | ...                          | ...                       | ...              | 3,238   | 2,131   | ...   | 21  | 23  |
| British Columbia.  | 3,230                                   | 71        | 37         | 81               | 3,419  | 111                  | 159       | ...      | 22                | 66   | 358              | 3,061                                   | ...      | ...      | ...                          | ...                       | ...              | 2,313   | 1,704   | ...   | 10  | 12  |
| California.....    | 24,180                                  | 1,252     | 132        | 477              | 26,041 | ...                  | 1,592     | ...      | 372               | 425  | 2,389            | 23,652                                  | ...      | ...      | ...                          | ...                       | ...              | 19,345  | 6,407   | ...   | 86  | 112 |
| Colorado.....      | 6,633                                   | 443       | 100        | 115              | 7,291  | ...                  | 371       | 3        | 82                | 140  | 596              | 6,695                                   | 62       | ...      | ...                          | ...                       | ...              | 4,948   | 1,631   | ...   | 45  | 46  |
| Connecticut.....   | 8,718                                   | 220       | 19         | 28               | 8,985  | ...                  | 226       | ...      | 25                | 159  | 410              | 8,575                                   | ...      | ...      | ...                          | ...                       | ...              | 6,598   | 1,953   | ...   | ... | ... |
| Delaware.....      | 1,942                                   | 117       | 9          | 11               | 2,079  | 12                   | 119       | ...      | 5                 | 33   | 169              | 1,910                                   | ...      | ...      | ...                          | ...                       | ...              | 1,284   | 583     | ...   | 10  | 5   |
| Dist. of Columbia  | 1,092                                   | 140       | 17         | 46               | 1,495  | ...                  | 85        | ...      | 17                | 23   | 125              | 1,070                                   | ...      | ...      | ...                          | ...                       | ...              | 722     | 317     | ...   | 2   | 7   |
| Florida.....       | 5,906                                   | 326       | 89         | 150              | 6,471  | ...                  | 804       | ...      | 95                | 93   | 992              | 5,479                                   | ...      | ...      | ...                          | ...                       | ...              | 4,040   | 1,336   | ...   | 32  | 47  |
| Georgia.....       | 10,603                                  | 256       | 163        | 60               | 11,082 | 35                   | 492       | 4        | 99                | 96   | 726              | 10,356                                  | ...      | ...      | ...                          | ...                       | ...              | 7,663   | 2,521   | ...   | 67  | 76  |
| Idaho.....         | 3,187                                   | 147       | 16         | 51               | 3,401  | ...                  | 191       | ...      | 38                | 31   | 260              | 3,141                                   | ...      | ...      | ...                          | ...                       | ...              | 725     | 2,374   | ...   | 13  | 10  |
| Illinois.....      | 53,617                                  | 1,964     | 508        | 1,375            | 57,464 | 205                  | 3,645     | 4        | 1,405             | 780  | 6,039            | 51,425                                  | ...      | ...      | ...                          | ...                       | ...              | 40,960  | 10,119  | ...   | 156 | 159 |
| Indiana.....       | 64,873                                  | 1,345     | 579        | 432              | 67,229 | 167                  | 2,748     | 4        | 1,071             | 873  | 4,863            | 62,366                                  | ...      | ...      | ...                          | ...                       | ...              | 47,998  | 14,209  | ...   | 66  | 62  |
| Iowa.....          | 23,986                                  | 1,193     | 307        | 360              | 25,846 | 438                  | 1,021     | ...      | 282               | 359  | 2,100            | 23,746                                  | ...      | ...      | ...                          | ...                       | ...              | 19,181  | 4,203   | ...   | 187 | 238 |
| Kansas.....        | 8,401                                   | 268       | 96         | 150              | 8,915  | ...                  | 572       | ...      | 102               | 107  | 781              | 8,134                                   | ...      | ...      | ...                          | ...                       | ...              | 6,055   | 2,011   | ...   | 18  | 30  |
| Kentucky.....      | 10,612                                  | 538       | 428        | 104              | 11,682 | 14                   | 1,362     | ...      | 84                | 132  | 1,592            | 10,090                                  | ...      | ...      | ...                          | ...                       | ...              | 7,452   | 2,584   | ...   | 22  | 16  |
| Louisiana.....     | 5,561                                   | 248       | 61         | 73               | 5,943  | ...                  | 197       | 2        | 86                | 93   | 378              | 5,565                                   | 4        | ...      | ...                          | ...                       | ...              | 4,203   | 1,302   | ...   | 16  | 22  |
| Maine.....         | 16,967                                  | 558       | 109        | 58               | 17,692 | 38                   | 362       | 1        | 101               | 299  | 801              | 16,891                                  | ...      | ...      | ...                          | ...                       | ...              | 12,922  | 3,781   | ...   | 80  | 76  |
| Manitoba.....      | 1,191                                   | 26        | 7          | 61               | 1,285  | ...                  | 91        | ...      | 49                | 13   | 153              | 1,132                                   | ...      | ...      | ...                          | ...                       | ...              | 945     | 167     | ...   | 7   | 4   |
| Maritime Province  | 3,886                                   | 118       | 8          | 4                | 3,716  | ...                  | 121       | ...      | 19                | 52   | 192              | 3,524                                   | ...      | ...      | ...                          | ...                       | ...              | 2,884   | 630     | ...   | 19  | 20  |
| Maryland.....      | 10,069                                  | 398       | 121        | 50               | 10,594 | 51                   | 394       | ...      | 68                | 234  | 747              | 9,847                                   | ...      | ...      | ...                          | ...                       | ...              | 7,177   | 2,596   | ...   | 25  | 27  |
| Massachusetts..... | 26,459                                  | 683       | 121        | 115              | 27,348 | ...                  | 1,253     | ...      | 191               | 496  | 1,940            | 25,408                                  | ...      | ...      | ...                          | ...                       | ...              | 21,312  | 3,935   | ...   | 61  | 78  |
| Michigan.....      | 24,502                                  | 668       | 109        | 190              | 25,469 | ...                  | 992       | ...      | 344               | 299  | 1,635            | 23,834                                  | ...      | ...      | ...                          | ...                       | ...              | 20,951  | 2,500   | ...   | 139 | 219 |
| Minnesota.....     | 7,365                                   | 161       | 23         | 148              | 7,701  | ...                  | 770       | 5        | 76                | 79   | 930              | 6,771                                   | ...      | ...      | ...                          | ...                       | ...              | 5,729   | 946     | ...   | 27  | 45  |
| Mississippi.....   | 6,342                                   | 384       | 296        | 74               | 7,096  | 152                  | 660       | ...      | 114               | 72   | 998              | 6,098                                   | ...      | ...      | ...                          | ...                       | ...              | 4,538   | 1,476   | ...   | 27  | 36  |
| Missouri.....      | 24,309                                  | 1,114     | 332        | 502              | 26,257 | 395                  | 1,744     | 13       | 98                | 407  | 2,657            | 23,600                                  | ...      | ...      | ...                          | ...                       | ...              | 19,881  | 3,326   | ...   | 152 | 213 |
| Montana.....       | 3,454                                   | 164       | 33         | 47               | 3,698  | ...                  | 130       | ...      | 29                | 69   | 228              | 3,470                                   | 16       | ...      | ...                          | ...                       | ...              | 2,619   | 790     | ...   | 17  | 20  |
| Nebraska.....      | 6,494                                   | 279       | 122        | 78               | 6,973  | 129                  | 253       | ...      | 59                | 82   | 523              | 6,450                                   | ...      | ...      | ...                          | ...                       | ...              | 4,905   | 1,486   | ...   | 21  | 11  |



TABLE "D"—ABSTRACT OF ANNUAL REPORTS OF GRAND LODGES FOR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1918,  
SHOWING MEMBERSHIP OF SUBORDINATE LODGES.—Continued

| GRAND<br>DOMAINS    | Number of members,<br>December 31, 1917 | Initiated | Reinstated | Admitted by card | Total   | Surrender of charter | Suspended                   |                           | Expelled | Withdrawn by card | Died   | Total deductions | Number of members,<br>December 31, 1918 | Net gain | Net loss | CLASSIFICATION OF MEMBERSHIP |         |         |       |       | Pages |
|---------------------|-----------------------------------------|-----------|------------|------------------|---------|----------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------|----------|-------------------|--------|------------------|-----------------------------------------|----------|----------|------------------------------|---------|---------|-------|-------|-------|
|                     |                                         |           |            |                  |         |                      | Past Supreme<br>Chancellors | Past Grand<br>Chancellors |          |                   |        |                  |                                         |          |          | Past Chancellors             | Knights | Squires |       |       |       |
| Nevada.....         | 1,768                                   | 50        | 19         | 19               | 1,856   | .....                | 148                         | 1                         | 15       | 43                | 207    | 1,649            | .....                                   | 119      | .....    | 25                           | 501     | 1,107   | 11    | 5     |       |
| New Hampshire.....  | 6,713                                   | 135       | 50         | 15               | 6,913   | .....                | 264                         | .....                     | 48       | 112               | 424    | 6,489            | .....                                   | 224      | .....    | 25                           | 1,825   | 4,618   | 10    | 11    |       |
| New Jersey.....     | 14,633                                  | 518       | 77         | 23               | 15,251  | .....                | 537                         | .....                     | 34       | 328               | 899    | 14,352           | .....                                   | 281      | .....    | 28                           | 4,191   | 10,080  | 17    | 36    |       |
| New Mexico.....     | 1,288                                   | 244       | 29         | 191              | 1,752   | .....                | 185                         | .....                     | 139      | 30                | 354    | 1,398            | 110                                     | .....    | 17       | 304                          | 1,048   | 17      | 12    |       |       |
| New York.....       | 21,922                                  | 853       | 101        | 106              | 22,982  | 54                   | 1,016                       | 14                        | 168      | 384               | 1,636  | 21,346           | .....                                   | 576      | .....    | 20                           | 3,721   | 17,459  | 83    | 63    |       |
| North Carolina..... | 7,318                                   | 297       | 105        | 157              | 7,877   | 177                  | 434                         | 3                         | 70       | 101               | 785    | 7,092            | .....                                   | 226      | .....    | 23                           | 1,884   | 5,131   | 22    | 32    |       |
| North Dakota.....   | 2,856                                   | 148       | 15         | 25               | 3,044   | .....                | 99                          | .....                     | 12       | 43                | 154    | 2,890            | 34                                      | .....    | 1        | 20                           | 388     | 2,456   | 9     | 16    |       |
| Ohio.....           | 87,738                                  | 3,301     | 609        | 632              | 92,280  | 218                  | 3,261                       | 43                        | 692      | 1,301             | 5,315  | 86,765           | .....                                   | 973      | 1        | 25                           | 20,336  | 66,083  | 132   | 188   |       |
| Oklahoma.....       | 6,201                                   | 544       | 148        | 365              | 7,238   | .....                | 342                         | 5                         | 62       | 73                | 482    | 6,776            | 575                                     | .....    | 41       | 1,536                        | 5,092   | 37      | 70    |       |       |
| Ontario.....        | 3,414                                   | 152       | 23         | 46               | 3,635   | .....                | 166                         | .....                     | 62       | 48                | 276    | 3,359            | 495                                     | .....    | 21       | 448                          | 2,826   | 33      | 31    |       |       |
| Oregon.....         | 7,699                                   | 185       | 185        | 185              | 8,945   | .....                | 426                         | .....                     | 212      | 113               | 751    | 8,194            | .....                                   | 55       | .....    | 29                           | 1,883   | 6,183   | 40    | 59    |       |
| Pennsylvania.....   | 59,264                                  | 1,038     | 170        | 99               | 60,571  | .....                | 1,956                       | .....                     | 198      | 1,129             | 3,283  | 57,288           | .....                                   | 1,976    | .....    | 24                           | 12,041  | 45,151  | 42    | 30    |       |
| Quebec.....         | 837                                     | 108       | 10         | 6                | 961     | .....                | 100                         | 3                         | 20       | 21                | 144    | 817              | .....                                   | 20       | .....    | 10                           | 105     | 655     | 33    | 14    |       |
| Rhode Island.....   | 2,746                                   | 63        | 7          | .....            | 2,816   | .....                | 113                         | .....                     | 10       | 50                | 473    | 2,643            | .....                                   | 103      | .....    | 21                           | 521     | 2,091   | 1     | 9     |       |
| South Carolina..... | 10,000                                  | 178       | 52         | 382              | 10,612  | 42                   | 381                         | .....                     | 54       | 108               | 585    | 10,027           | 27                                      | .....    | .....    | 22                           | 1,734   | 8,263   | 3     | 5     |       |
| South Dakota.....   | 2,783                                   | 100       | 21         | 15               | 2,919   | 11                   | 106                         | .....                     | 24       | 33                | 174    | 2,745            | .....                                   | 38       | .....    | 29                           | 534     | 2,084   | 39    | 67    |       |
| Tennessee.....      | 7,776                                   | 366       | 182        | 66               | 8,390   | 106                  | 572                         | 2                         | 67       | 141               | 888    | 7,502            | .....                                   | 274      | .....    | 28                           | 2,425   | 4,967   | 37    | 45    |       |
| Texas.....          | 20,869                                  | 963       | 486        | 747              | 23,065  | .....                | 970                         | 12                        | 816      | 315               | 2,113  | 20,952           | 83                                      | .....    | 1        | 32                           | 5,666   | 14,845  | 168   | 240   |       |
| Utah.....           | 1,479                                   | 113       | 20         | 12               | 1,624   | .....                | 89                          | .....                     | 18       | 23                | 130    | 1,494            | 15                                      | .....    | .....    | 21                           | 401     | 1,066   | ..... | 6     |       |
| Vermont.....        | 2,508                                   | 50        | 7          | .....            | 2,571   | .....                | 81                          | .....                     | 26       | 32                | 140    | 2,431            | .....                                   | 77       | .....    | 21                           | 429     | 1,951   | 11    | 19    |       |
| Virginia.....       | 7,424                                   | 357       | 87         | 98               | 7,966   | 60                   | 293                         | 1                         | 37       | 100               | 491    | 7,475            | 51                                      | .....    | .....    | 24                           | 1,737   | 5,682   | 17    | 15    |       |
| Washington.....     | 10,703                                  | 490       | 110        | 234              | 11,537  | .....                | 769                         | .....                     | 133      | 154               | 1,056  | 10,481           | .....                                   | 222      | .....    | 29                           | 2,375   | 7,987   | 40    | 50    |       |
| West Virginia.....  | 24,574                                  | 2,099     | 288        | 185              | 27,146  | .....                | 960                         | 9                         | 150      | 334               | 1,453  | 25,693           | 1,119                                   | .....    | .....    | 24                           | 4,585   | 20,913  | 90    | 81    |       |
| Wisconsin.....      | 15,412                                  | 904       | 58         | 106              | 16,480  | .....                | 407                         | 3                         | 147      | 198               | 755    | 15,725           | 313                                     | .....    | .....    | 27                           | 1,696   | 13,629  | 123   | 250   |       |
| Wyoming.....        | 1,345                                   | 68        | 8          | 14               | 1,435   | 40                   | 65                          | .....                     | 14       | 17                | 136    | 1,299            | .....                                   | 46       | .....    | 26                           | 2,221   | 1,034   | 5     | 3     |       |
| Subordinate lodges  | 1,828                                   | 177       | 9          | 14               | 2,028   | .....                | 208                         | 1                         | 27       | 19                | 255    | 1,773            | .....                                   | 55       | .....    | 1                            | 247     | 1,496   | 14    | 15    |       |
|                     | 712,547                                 | 27,903    | 7,050      | 9,287            | 756,787 | 2,642                | 35,511                      | 134                       | 8,560    | 11,100            | 57,947 | 698,840          | 2,946                                   | 16,653   | 8        | 1,316                        | 146,036 | 546,032 | 2,405 | 3,043 |       |

TABLE "E"—ABSTRACT OF ANNUAL REPORTS OF GRAND LODGES FOR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1918,  
SHOWING FINANCIAL CONDITION OF SUBORDINATE LODGES

| GRAND<br>DOMAINS          | DR.                                  |            | Total      | CR.                       |                     |                                      | TOTAL<br>AMOUNT<br>OF LODGE<br>ASSETS |
|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------|------------|---------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
|                           | Cash on hand<br>December<br>31, 1917 | Receipts   |            | Expended<br>for<br>relief | Current<br>expenses | Invested<br>during<br>the year       |                                       |
|                           |                                      |            |            |                           |                     | Cash on hand<br>December<br>31, 1918 |                                       |
| Alabama.....              | 21,014 59                            | 59,106 37  | 80,120 96  | 9,518 54                  | 31,816 33           | 17,020 01                            | 202,754 26                            |
| Alberta.....              | 4,829 75                             | 3,144 64   | 7,974 39   | 1,292 39                  | 1,464 00            | 3,699 00                             | 18,271 95                             |
| Arizona.....              | 3,744 64                             | 26,871 58  | 30,616 22  | 4,167 20                  | 14,855 27           | 3,106 01                             | 49,386 48                             |
| Arkansas.....             | 7,964 14                             | 19,545 71  | 27,509 85  | 3,336 87                  | 3,808 32            | 7,431 28                             | 80,328 44                             |
| British Columbia.....     | 50,285 70                            | 38,313 76  | 88,599 46  | 15,287 09                 | 18,914 22           | 42,873 52                            | 239,495 48                            |
| California.....           | 199,527 01                           | 328,891 26 | 528,418 27 | 100,688 00                | 212,341 16          | 149,504 07                           | 679,198 64                            |
| Colorado.....             | 19,869 20                            | 77,376 22  | 97,245 22  | 19,836 45                 | 51,179 45           | 18,239 62                            | 168,318 58                            |
| Connecticut.....          | 89,989 13                            | 82,528 79  | 172,517 92 | 36,693 39                 | 38,659 12           | 85,197 00                            | 163,078 91                            |
| Delaware.....             | 5,304 75                             | 20,709 32  | 26,014 07  | 10,638 87                 | 6,280 70            | 4,390 74                             | 52,005 48                             |
| District of Columbia..... | 3,010 97                             | 11,069 68  | 14,080 65  | 4,259 94                  | 5,356 51            | 1,158 73                             | 56,683 06                             |
| Florida.....              | 12,672 81                            | 38,372 60  | 51,045 41  | 8,524 32                  | 27,287 97           | 10,059 22                            | 190,619 02                            |
| Georgia.....              | 16,186 55                            | 38,023 23  | 54,209 78  | 8,583 50                  | 26,332 86           | 13,728 35                            | 81,321 87                             |
| Idaho.....                | 9,310 12                             | 25,413 76  | 34,723 88  | 3,117 40                  | 19,358 00           | 7,670 84                             | 145,891 70                            |
| Illinois.....             | 141,253 35                           | 456,699 66 | 597,953 01 | 114,870 01                | 302,072 86          | 107,438 36                           | 1,188,950 34                          |
| Indiana.....              | 166,758 00                           | 545,739 40 | 712,497 40 | 207,286 62                | 227,615 24          | 142,779 79                           | 2,558,005 37                          |
| Iowa.....                 | 33,404 39                            | 212,748 35 | 246,152 74 | 16,516 12                 | 135,429 65          | 23,978 76                            | 306,902 34                            |
| Kansas.....               | 19,830 91                            | 45,745 66  | 65,576 57  | 8,069 59                  | 35,925 37           | 15,876 58                            | 163,713 38                            |
| Kentucky.....             | 19,218 36                            | 69,458 83  | 88,677 19  | 18,039 43                 | 47,271 72           | 15,493 89                            | 202,628 71                            |
| Louisiana.....            | 19,961 82                            | 51,880 23  | 71,842 05  | 17,276 32                 | 28,371 07           | 17,300 03                            | 161,311 31                            |
| Maine.....                | 15,522 70                            | 104,338 33 | 119,861 03 | 33,656 75                 | 64,636 28           | 15,875 70                            | 512,902 93                            |
| Manitoba.....             | 1,518 18                             | 3,496 00   | 5,014 18   | 473 75                    | 3,042 68            | 1,306 05                             | 8,136 41                              |
| Maritime Provinces.....   | 30,928 31                            | 22,305 18  | 53,233 49  | 9,062 21                  | 10,448 18           | 33,723 15                            | 86,524 18                             |
| Maryland.....             | 14,368 17                            | 109,022 42 | 123,390 59 | 59,038 31                 | 50,617 38           | 13,317 83                            | 303,562 06                            |
| Massachusetts.....        | 26,892 62                            | 271,129 94 | 298,022 56 | 97,631 46                 | 134,471 14          | 30,320 51                            | 609,842 65                            |
| Michigan.....             | 35,109 00                            | 129,537 03 | 164,656 03 | 14,386 75                 | 108,263 52          | 31,210 76                            | 303,026 20                            |
| Minnesota.....            | 10,076 76                            | 26,604 02  | 36,680 78  | 2,327 14                  | 25,214 51           | 9,139 39                             | 71,833 20                             |
| Mississippi.....          | 20,070 35                            | 24,326 80  | 44,398 15  | 3,265 00                  | 24,379 60           | 16,752 55                            | 111,774 55                            |
| Missouri.....             | 54,976 46                            | 171,058 61 | 226,035 07 | 40,033 59                 | 114,514 27          | 43,017 45                            | 600,473 24                            |
| Montana.....              | 18,518 44                            | 38,930 57  | 57,449 01  | 6,968 13                  | 26,105 56           | 14,214 24                            | 120,507 70                            |
| Nebraska.....             | 13,100 31                            | 26,092 99  | 39,193 30  | 2,086 62                  | 25,770 73           | 10,160 87                            | 89,923 50                             |
| Nevada.....               | 4,681 81                             | 20,808 44  | 25,490 25  | 6,910 38                  | 11,909 60           | 4,782 45                             | 82,395 62                             |
| New Hampshire.....        | 7,429 82                             | 50,411 24  | 57,841 06  | 13,695 02                 | 28,529 44           | 15,616 60                            | 229,157 41                            |

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SHOWING FINANCIAL CONDITION OF SUBORDINATE LODGES.—Continued

| GRAND<br>DOMAINS        | DR.                                  |              |              | CR.                    |                     |                                |                                      | TOTAL<br>AMOUNT<br>OF LODGE<br>ASSETS |
|-------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
|                         | Cash on hand<br>December<br>31, 1917 | Receipts     | Total        | Expended for<br>relief | Current<br>expenses | Invested<br>during<br>the year | Cash on hand<br>December<br>31, 1918 |                                       |
| New Jersey.....         | 85,564 39                            | 194,988 47   | 280,552 86   | 86,856 90              | 71,391 15           | 48,658 53                      | 73,646 28                            | 472,878 20                            |
| New Mexico.....         | 3,012 91                             | 13,417 74    | 16,430 65    | 1,479 82               | 9,143 18            | 2,735 89                       | 3,071 76                             | 24,502 87                             |
| New York.....           | 34,719 37                            | 191,638 91   | 226,358 28   | 54,604 64              | 112,148 45          | 28,155 25                      | 31,449 94                            | 422,785 15                            |
| North Carolina.....     | 10,401 37                            | 25,327 16    | 35,728 53    | 5,283 95               | 18,185 48           | 3,298 65                       | 8,960 45                             | 98,078 04                             |
| North Dakota.....       | 5,722 35                             | 15,521 99    | 21,244 34    | 1,258 88               | 12,804 50           | 888 30                         | 6,292 66                             | 57,282 05                             |
| Ohio.....               | 303,590 79                           | 745,862 10   | 1,049,452 89 | 186,844 17             | 517,629 90          | 122,197 34                     | 222,781 48                           | 2,467,543 52                          |
| Oklahoma.....           | 9,748 88                             | 35,052 87    | 44,801 75    | 7,884 46               | 22,786 53           | 6,657 87                       | 7,472 89                             | 78,840 68                             |
| Ontario.....            | 48,274 19                            | 25,046 92    | 73,321 11    | 10,005 64              | 13,772 00           | .....                          | 49,543 47                            | 69,910 05                             |
| Oregon.....             | 15,910 89                            | 110,601 85   | 126,512 74   | 15,646 34              | 64,222 72           | 31,463 41                      | 15,180 27                            | 314,509 85                            |
| Pennsylvania.....       | 111,046 96                           | 675,638 47   | 786,685 43   | 280,524 88             | 396,471 14          | 13,266 19                      | 96,423 22                            | 1,855,388 42                          |
| Quebec.....             | 2,295 91                             | 6,452 49     | 8,748 40     | 748 04                 | 4,660 46            | 1,420 00                       | 1,919 90                             | 8,929 44                              |
| Rhode Island.....       | 35,656 95                            | 35,468 55    | 71,125 50    | 12,803 78              | 20,543 92           | 4,262 46                       | 33,515 34                            | 90,211 31                             |
| South Carolina.....     | 21,012 41                            | 36,410 40    | 57,422 81    | 10,248 60              | 30,250 66           | 404 80                         | 16,518 75                            | 104,136 90                            |
| South Dakota.....       | 6,794 60                             | 12,145 80    | 18,940 40    | 1,539 18               | 10,219 71           | 1,893 03                       | 5,288 48                             | 40,154 18                             |
| Tennessee.....          | 14,578 16                            | 43,918 10    | 58,496 26    | 7,578 90               | 32,812 95           | 3,900 92                       | 14,203 49                            | 209,650 92                            |
| Texas.....              | 47,771 07                            | 170,517 86   | 218,288 93   | 21,441 11              | 126,220 96          | 28,935 08                      | 41,691 78                            | 636,774 36                            |
| Utah.....               | 6,165 67                             | 24,483 15    | 30,648 82    | 4,091 12               | 15,217 41           | 6,485 44                       | 4,854 84                             | 63,549 29                             |
| Vermont.....            | 2,502 91                             | 10,348 27    | 12,851 18    | 1,043 47               | 10,308 14           | .....                          | 1,499 57                             | 27,259 29                             |
| Virginia.....           | 39,504 94                            | 64,902 40    | 104,407 34   | 27,023 02              | 29,070 48           | 9,711 07                       | 38,602 77                            | 240,537 77                            |
| Washington.....         | 22,051 66                            | 90,998 50    | 113,050 16   | 15,329 26              | 62,199 83           | 17,837 26                      | 17,683 81                            | 509,049 06                            |
| West Virginia.....      | 90,958 67                            | 247,443 72   | 338,402 39   | 112,309 12             | 111,930 72          | 35,473 41                      | 78,689 14                            | 566,012 55                            |
| Wisconsin.....          | 22,075 80                            | 101,882 55   | 123,958 35   | 12,923 33              | 74,607 07           | 17,933 11                      | 18,494 84                            | 265,250 72                            |
| Wyoming.....            | 6,968 76                             | 12,521 12    | 19,489 88    | 1,368 15               | 12,919 29           | 4,102 49                       | 3,959 95                             | 60,245 42                             |
| Subordinate lodges..... | 4,219 71                             | 19,436 74    | 23,656 45    | 3,939 15               | 10,825 80           | 4,178 44                       | 4,713 06                             | 57,197 12                             |
|                         | 2,047,878 44                         | 6,059,736 55 | 8,107,614 99 | 1,780,253 07           | 3,682,585 61        | 923,713 86                     | 1,721,062 45                         | 18,559,803 05                         |

TABLE "F"—ABSTRACT OF SEMI-ANNUAL REPORTS OF SUBORDINATE LODGES UNDER IMMEDIATE CONTROL, FOR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1918, MEMBERSHIP STATEMENT.

| DISTRICTS        |     | Lodge | LOCATION            | Number of members,<br>December 31, 1917 | Initiated | Reinstated | Admitted by card | Total | Suspended | Expelled | Withdrawn by card | Died | Number of members,<br>December 31, 1918 | Net gain | Net loss | CLASSIFICATION<br>OF MEMBERSHIP |         |          |       |
|------------------|-----|-------|---------------------|-----------------------------------------|-----------|------------|------------------|-------|-----------|----------|-------------------|------|-----------------------------------------|----------|----------|---------------------------------|---------|----------|-------|
|                  |     |       |                     |                                         |           |            |                  |       |           |          |                   |      |                                         |          |          | Past<br>Chancellors             | Knights | Esquires | Pages |
| ALASKA           | No. |       |                     |                                         |           |            |                  |       |           |          |                   |      |                                         |          |          |                                 |         |          |       |
| Alaska           | 1   |       | Juneau              | 30                                      |           |            |                  | 30    |           |          |                   |      | 30                                      |          |          | 11                              | 19      |          |       |
| North Star       | 2   |       | Douglas             | 27                                      |           |            |                  | 27    |           |          |                   |      | 27                                      |          |          | 13                              | 14      |          |       |
| Cordova          | 3   |       | Cordova             | 73                                      | 9         |            |                  | 82    | 1         |          |                   | 2    | 79                                      | 6        |          | 5                               | 73      |          | 1     |
| AUSTRALIA        |     |       |                     |                                         |           |            |                  |       |           |          |                   |      |                                         |          |          |                                 |         |          |       |
| Australia        | 1   |       | Melbourne, Victoria | 57                                      |           |            |                  | 57    | *57       |          |                   |      |                                         |          | 57       |                                 |         |          |       |
| New South Wales  | 1   |       | Sydney, N. S. W.    | 65                                      |           |            |                  | 65    |           |          |                   |      | 65                                      |          |          | 6                               | 59      |          |       |
| CANAL ZONE       |     |       |                     |                                         |           |            |                  |       |           |          |                   |      |                                         |          |          |                                 |         |          |       |
| Panama Canal     | 1   |       | Ancon               | 273                                     | 10        | 1          | 2                | 286   | 68        |          | 7                 | 5    | 206                                     |          | 67       | 33                              | 173     |          |       |
| Canal Zone       | 2   |       | Cristobal           | 62                                      | 61        |            | 4                | 127   |           |          | 1                 |      | 126                                     | 64       |          | 3                               | 122     | 1        |       |
| HAWAII           |     |       |                     |                                         |           |            |                  |       |           |          |                   |      |                                         |          |          |                                 |         |          |       |
| Mystic           | 2   |       | Honolulu            | 232                                     | 9         | 3          |                  | 244   | 8         |          | 4                 | 5    | 227                                     |          | 5        | 31                              | 196     |          |       |
| Aloha            | 3   |       | Wailuku             | 84                                      | 8         |            |                  | 92    | 6         |          | 2                 |      | 84                                      |          |          | 18                              | 64      | 2        |       |
| Maile            | 4   |       | Honokaa             | 33                                      |           |            |                  | 33    | 3         |          |                   |      | 31                                      |          |          | 2                               | 19      |          |       |
| Hilo             | 7   |       | Hilo                | 46                                      | 2         |            |                  | 48    | 5         |          |                   |      | 43                                      |          | 3        | 15                              | 28      |          |       |
| Wm. McKinley     | 8   |       | Honolulu            | 129                                     | 24        | 1          |                  | 154   | 19        |          | 2                 | 2    | 131                                     | 2        |          | 15                              | 114     | 2        |       |
| PHILIPPINES      |     |       |                     |                                         |           |            |                  |       |           |          |                   |      |                                         |          |          |                                 |         |          |       |
| Wm. McKinley     | 1   |       | Manila              | 58                                      | 17        |            | 1                | 76    | 15        |          | 3                 | 1    | 57                                      |          | 1        | 11                              | 45      |          | 1     |
| SASKATCHEWAN     |     |       |                     |                                         |           |            |                  |       |           |          |                   |      |                                         |          |          |                                 |         |          |       |
| Capital City     | 1   |       | Regina              | 170                                     | 4         | 4          | 3                | 181   |           |          | 6                 | 1    | 174                                     | 4        |          | PCC 1                           | 145     | 5        | 8     |
| Wascana          | 9   |       | Regina              | 54                                      | 5         |            | 1                | 60    |           |          |                   |      | 60                                      | 6        |          | 15                              | 50      |          | 1     |
| North Battleford | 13  |       | North Battleford    | 112                                     |           |            |                  | 112   |           |          |                   |      | 112                                     |          |          | 9                               | 102     |          |       |
| Moosomin         | 17  |       | Moosomin            | 52                                      | 8         |            |                  | 60    |           |          | 1                 | 1    | 58                                      | 6        |          | 10                              | 48      | 1        |       |
| Hiawatha         | 21  |       | Fleming             | 43                                      |           |            |                  | 43    |           |          |                   |      | 43                                      |          |          | 6                               | 34      |          |       |
| Syracuse         | 30  |       | Swift Current       | 136                                     | 11        |            | 3                | 150   | 14        | 1        | 1                 | 1    | 133                                     | 3        |          | 11                              | 119     | 3        |       |
| Golden Jubilee   | 33  |       | Radville            | 32                                      |           |            |                  | 32    |           |          |                   |      | 32                                      |          |          | 4                               | 25      |          | 3     |
| Melfort          | 34  |       | Melfort             | 24                                      | 6         |            |                  | 30    | 13        |          |                   | 1    | 16                                      | 8        |          |                                 | 16      |          |       |
| Maldstone        | 35  |       | Maldstone           | 36                                      | 3         |            |                  | 39    |           |          |                   |      | 39                                      | 3        |          | 7                               | 31      |          | 1     |
|                  |     |       |                     | 1,828                                   | 177       | 9          | 14               | 2,028 | 208       | 1        | 27                | 19   | 1,773                                   | 91       | 146      | 248                             | 1,496   | 14       | 15    |

\*Surrender of charter.

TABLE "G"—ABSTRACT OF SEMI-ANNUAL REPORTS OF SUBORDINATE LODGES UNDER IMMEDIATE CONTROL, FOR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1918—SHOWING FINANCIAL CONDITION.

| DISTRICTS             |          | Dr.                                     |          |           | Cr.                       |                     |                                | TOTAL<br>AMOUNT<br>OF LODGE<br>ASSETS |                                         |
|-----------------------|----------|-----------------------------------------|----------|-----------|---------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|
| LODGE                 | LOCATION | Cash on<br>hand<br>December<br>31, 1917 | Receipts | Total     | Expended<br>for<br>relief | Current<br>expenses | Invested<br>during<br>the year |                                       | Cash on<br>hand<br>December<br>31, 1918 |
| ALASKA                | No.      |                                         |          |           |                           |                     |                                |                                       |                                         |
| Alaska.....           | 1        | Juneau.....                             | 32 85    | 6 00      | 38 85                     | .....               | 7 50                           | .....                                 | 31 35                                   |
| North Star.....       | 2        | Douglas.....                            | 69 20    | .....     | 69 20                     | .....               | .....                          | .....                                 | 69 20                                   |
| Cordova.....          | 3        | Cordova.....                            | 593 91   | 859 50    | 1,453 41                  | .....               | 662 96                         | .....                                 | 790 45                                  |
| AUSTRALIA             |          |                                         |          |           |                           |                     |                                |                                       |                                         |
| New South Wales.....  | 1        | Sydney, N. S. W.....                    | 46 00    | .....     | 46 00                     | .....               | .....                          | .....                                 | 46 00                                   |
| CANAL ZONE            |          |                                         |          |           |                           |                     |                                |                                       |                                         |
| Panama Canal.....     | 1        | Ancon.....                              | 428 96   | 1,831 30  | 2,260 26                  | 409 30              | 1,298 61                       | 350 00                                | 202 35                                  |
| Canal Zone.....       | 2        | Cristobal.....                          | 368 47   | 1,085 48  | 1,453 95                  | 109 95              | 669 29                         | 500 00                                | 175 03                                  |
| HAWAII                |          |                                         |          |           |                           |                     |                                |                                       |                                         |
| Mystic.....           | 2        | Honolulu.....                           | 147 14   | 6,555 80  | 6,702 94                  | 1,990 95            | 2,909 96                       | 1,581 50                              | 220 53                                  |
| Aloha.....            | 3        | Wailuku.....                            | 30 13    | 1,741 02  | 1,771 15                  | 100 00              | 703 36                         | 418 00                                | 549 79                                  |
| Maile.....            | 4        | Honokaa.....                            | 362 87   | 1,428 10  | 1,790 97                  | 190 00              | 315 00                         | 400 00                                | 885 97                                  |
| Hilo.....             | 7        | Hilo.....                               | 355 69   | 541 08    | 896 77                    | .....               | 551 54                         | .....                                 | 345 23                                  |
| Wm. McKinley.....     | 8        | Honolulu.....                           | 359 24   | 1,887 35  | 2,246 59                  | 855 00              | 851 35                         | 400 00                                | 140 24                                  |
| PHILIPPINES           |          |                                         |          |           |                           |                     |                                |                                       |                                         |
| Wm. McKinley.....     | 1        | Manila.....                             | 79 57    | 954 55    | 1,034 12                  | 53 50               | 667 92                         | 200 00                                | 112 70                                  |
| SASKATCHEWAN          |          |                                         |          |           |                           |                     |                                |                                       |                                         |
| Capital City.....     | 1        | Regina.....                             | 105 85   | 820 20    | 926 05                    | 189 82              | 667 13                         | .....                                 | 69 10                                   |
| Wascana.....          | 9        | Regina.....                             | 272 73   | 302 30    | 302 82                    | .....               | 257 17                         | .....                                 | 45 65                                   |
| North Battleford..... | 13       | North Battleford.....                   | 130 88   | 346 16    | 477 04                    | .....               | 207 99                         | 150 00                                | 272 73                                  |
| Moosomin.....         | 17       | Moosomin.....                           | 55 67    | 127 35    | 183 02                    | 25 00               | 88 49                          | .....                                 | 119 05                                  |
| Hiawatha.....         | 21       | Hiawatha.....                           | 216 95   | 734 70    | 951 65                    | 15 95               | 688 51                         | .....                                 | 69 53                                   |
| Syracuse.....         | 30       | Swift Current.....                      | 51 87    | .....     | 51 87                     | .....               | .....                          | .....                                 | 247 19                                  |
| Golden Jubilee.....   | 33       | Radville.....                           | 113 20   | 40 85     | 154 05                    | .....               | 34 25                          | .....                                 | 51 87                                   |
| Melfort.....          | 34       | Melfort.....                            | 398 01   | 175 00    | 573 01                    | .....               | 244 77                         | 178 94                                | 119 80                                  |
| Maldstone.....        | 35       | Maldstone.....                          | 4,219 71 | 19,436 74 | 23,656 45                 | 3,939 15            | 10,825 80                      | 4,178 44                              | 149 30                                  |
|                       |          |                                         |          |           |                           |                     |                                |                                       | 4,713 06                                |
|                       |          |                                         |          |           |                           |                     |                                |                                       | 57,197 12                               |



## Quarterly Reports of the Committee on Finance

Fiscal Year 1918-1919

MINNEAPOLIS, October 5, 1918.

*Charles S. Davis, S. C., Denver, Colo.:*

The quarterly meeting of the committee on finance of the Supreme Lodge was held at the office of the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal, Minneapolis, October 4 and 5, 1918.

Those present were: Richard S. Witte and Charles J. Deckman, sub-committee, and Fred E. Wheaton, S. K. R. S.

The books, records, accounts and statements of the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal and Supreme Master of Exchequer were examined and audited.

The following is a statement of the Supreme Lodge finances as shown by the books for the quarter ending September 30, 1918:

|                                                       |             |
|-------------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| Balance on hand, S. K. R. S., June 30.....            | \$ 2,177.99 |
| Receipts during quarter.....                          | 26,498.89   |
| Total.....                                            | \$28,676.88 |
| Remitted to S. M. E.....                              | 11,863.51   |
| Balance on hand, S. K. R. S., September 30, 1918..... | \$16,813.37 |
| Cash on hand, S. M. E., June 30.....                  | \$85,215.23 |
| Remitted by S. K. R. S. during quarter.....           | 11,863.51   |
| Received account of interest.....                     | 832.24      |
| Total.....                                            | \$97,910.98 |
| Warrants issued during quarter.....                   | 45,584.01   |
| Balance on hand, September 30, 1918.....              | \$52,326.97 |
| Warrants outstanding, total.....                      | 812.74      |
| Balance on deposit.....                               | \$53,139.71 |

The funds of the Supreme Master of Exchequer are deposited and invested as follows:

|                                                |             |
|------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| Liberty Loan Bonds.....                        | \$40,000.00 |
| Central Trust Co., certificate of deposit..... | 5,000.00    |
| Murchison National Bank.....                   | 8,139.71    |
|                                                | \$53,139.71 |

The matter of the expenses of the Military Department was taken up for consideration and it was deemed best to continue the method heretofore adopted of making a subdivision appropriation. The following appropriations, to be known as "Subdivision A," were authorized to cover expenses of the Department from August 1, 1918 to February 1, 1919:

|                                        |            |
|----------------------------------------|------------|
| Salary Major General.....              | \$ 900.00  |
| Clerk hire.....                        | 360.00     |
| Office rent.....                       | 180.00     |
| Traveling expenses, Major General..... | 400.00     |
| Printing.....                          | 300.00     |
| Publicity.....                         | 100.00     |
| Field work.....                        | 600.00     |
| Total.....                             | \$2,840.00 |

From an examination and audit of the receipts and disbursements of the War Relief Fund, we find the following is the status of said fund:

|                                                      |                    |
|------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Cash on hand, June 30, 1918.....                     | \$188,340.30       |
| Outstanding warrants and warrants Nos. 28 to 33..... | 1,477.83           |
|                                                      | <hr/> \$186,862.47 |
| Receipts from domains, etc.....                      | \$ 34,068.58       |
| Receipts account deposits, etc.....                  | 787.15             |
| Receipts account of interest on Liberty Bonds.....   | 893.91             |
|                                                      | <hr/> \$222,612.11 |
| Warrants Nos. 34 to 37.....                          | 274.17             |
|                                                      | <hr/> \$222,337.94 |
| Balance on hand, October 1, 1918.....                |                    |

Which fund is invested and deposited as follows:

|                                            |                    |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Liberty Loan Bonds.....                    | \$ 80,000.00       |
| Murchison National Bank.....               | 20,000.00          |
| Central Trust Co. of Illinois.....         | 10,000.00          |
| American Bank & Trust Co.....              | 10,000.00          |
| Murchison National Bank.....               | 10,000.00          |
| Home Savings Bank.....                     | 25,000.00          |
| Peoples Savings Bank.....                  | 20,000.00          |
| Wilmington Savings & Trust Co.....         | 20,000.00          |
| American Bank & Trust Co.....              | 20,000.00          |
| Murchison National Bank, open account..... | 7,337.94           |
|                                            | <hr/> \$222,337.94 |

The matter of the payment of expenses of the War Relief Commission was taken up and considered and the attached resolution adopted as expressive of the views of this sub-committee:

WHEREAS, The Supreme Lodge, by the provision of Chapter XIV, Part I, Division I, as enacted at the Detroit Convention of 1918, created a Pythian War Relief Commission; and

WHEREAS, Section 67, Chapter XII, Division I, of the Supreme Statutes, provides that no disbursement of the funds of the Supreme Lodge shall be made unless the same shall have been regularly appropriated by the Supreme Lodge; and

WHEREAS, Section 70, Chapter XII, Division I, of the Supreme Statutes, provides that all claims against the Supreme Lodge shall be audited by the committee on finance of the Supreme Lodge, approving or disapproving same; now therefore,

*Resolved*, That we, a sub-committee of the Committee on finance, believe that it was the clear intention of the Supreme Lodge, as expressed in Section 76p of the War Relief enactment, that all expenses of the commission should be paid from the general fund of the Supreme Lodge not otherwise appropriated, and that the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal is authorized to issue exchequer orders in payment of such expenses when such claims shall have been approved by the committee on finance.

RICHARD S. WITTE, *Chairman.*

CHARLES J. DECKMAN,

*Sub-committee.*

MINNEAPOLIS, January 7, 1919.

*Charles S. Davis, S. C., Denver, Colo.:*

By direction of the chairman, Brother Richard S. Witte, the quarterly meeting of the committee on finance of the Supreme Lodge was held in the office of the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal, at Minneapolis, January 6th and 7th, 1919, and the sub-committee on finance, John B. Vaughn of Illinois and James A. Steese of Pennsylvania, audited the books, etc., for the quarter ending December 31, 1918.

The books, records, statements, receipts and vouchers, of the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal and the Supreme Master of Exchequer were examined and audited.

The present condition of the finances of the Supreme Lodge is shown to be as follows for the quarter ending December 31, 1918:

*S. K. R. S.—Receipts:*

|                                                           |             |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| Balance on hand, September 30, 1918, per last report..... | \$16,813.37 |
| Receipts during quarter.....                              | 8,651.98    |
| Total.....                                                | \$25,465.35 |

*Disbursements:*

|                                                           |             |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| Remitted to S. M. E. during quarter, as per receipts..... | \$25,465.35 |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|-------------|

*S. M. E.—Receipts*

|                                               |             |
|-----------------------------------------------|-------------|
| Cash balance on hand, September 30, 1918..... | \$52,326.97 |
| Received from interest.....                   | 774.24      |
| Remitted by S. K. R. S. during quarter.....   | 25,465.35   |
|                                               | \$78,566.56 |

*Disbursements:*

|                                             |             |
|---------------------------------------------|-------------|
| Warrants issued during quarter.....         | 13,092.39   |
| Cash balance, December 31, 1918.....        | 65,474.17   |
| Remittances by S. K. R. S., in transit..... | 1,722.24    |
|                                             | 63,751.93   |
| Unpaid warrants.....                        | 130.00      |
| Cash balance on deposit.....                | \$63,881.93 |

The funds of the Supreme Lodge in hands of the Supreme Master of Exchequer, as per certified examination by the cashier of the Murchison National Bank of Wilmington, North Carolina, are deposited and invested as follows:

|                                         |             |
|-----------------------------------------|-------------|
| Liberty Loan bonds.....                 | \$48,100.00 |
| Certificates of deposit.....            | 15,000.00   |
| Deposit in Murchison National Bank..... | 781.93      |
|                                         | \$63,881.93 |

Whereas, in a communication dated January 1, 1919, from the Supreme Master of Exchequer, a recommendation was made that \$50,000 of the funds be invested in Liberty Loan bonds; the finance committee concurred in the recommendation and authorized the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal to advise the Supreme Master of Exchequer to that effect, which was accordingly done.

The committee on finance took up the matter of expenses of the military department and authorized the continuance of the method heretofore adopted, of making a subdivision appropriation; the following appropriations to be known as subdivision "b" were authorized to cover expenses of the department from February 1, 1919 to August 1, 1919:

|                                        |            |
|----------------------------------------|------------|
| Salary Major General.....              | \$ 900.00  |
| Clerk hire.....                        | 360.00     |
| Office rent.....                       | 180.00     |
| Traveling expenses, Major General..... | 400.00     |
| Printing.....                          | 300.00     |
| Publicity.....                         | 100.00     |
| Field work.....                        | 600.00     |
|                                        | \$2,840.00 |

The sub-committee are pleased to report the fact that we find the accounts and records of the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal's office kept according to a system of accounting that is not only simple and accurate, but thoroughly comprehensive, and we also find that the books and the reports of the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal and the books and reports of the Supreme Master of Exchequer agree in every detail as to funds, receipts, expenditures and invested securities.

JOHN B. VAUGHN,  
JAMES A. STEESE,  
*Sub-Committee.*

MINNEAPOLIS, April 12, 1919.

*Charles S. Davis, S. C., Denver, Colo.:*

By direction of the chairman, Brother Richard S. Witte, the quarterly meeting of the committee on finance of the Supreme Lodge was held in the office of the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal at Minneapolis, April 12, 1919, and the sub-committee on finance—John B. Vaughn of Illinois and James A. Steese of Pennsylvania—audited the books and accounts for the quarter ending March 31, 1919.

The books, records, statements, receipts and vouchers of the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal and the Supreme Master of Exchequer were carefully examined in detail and audited.

The present condition of the finances of the Supreme Lodge is shown to be as follows for the quarter ending March 31, 1919:

|                                                             |             |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| Receipts of S. K. R. S. during quarter ending March 31..... | \$26,871.82 |
| Remitted to S. M. E.....                                    | 15,286.93   |
| Balance on hand, S. K. R. S., March 31, 1919.....           | \$11,584.89 |
| Cash on hand, S. M. E., December 31, 1918.....              | \$63,751.93 |
| Received from S. K. R. S. during quarter.....               | 15,286.93   |
| Received remittance of December 31, en route.....           | 1,722.24    |
| Received on account of interest.....                        | 895.61      |
|                                                             | \$81,656.71 |
| Warrants issued during quarter.....                         | 17,505.45   |
| Cash balance, March 31, 1919.....                           | \$64,151.26 |
| Warrants outstanding.....                                   | 86.25       |
| Cash on deposit.....                                        | \$64,237.51 |

The funds of the Supreme Lodge in hands of the Supreme Master of Exchequer, as per certified examination by the cashier of the Murchison National Bank of Wilmington, North Carolina, are deposited and invested as follows:

|                                                                                                                  |             |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| Liberty Loan Bonds, deposited in safety deposit box, Peoples Savings Bank, as per certificates of said bank..... | \$45,000.00 |
| Liberty Loan Bonds, Nos. 1936571, 1936572, 1936573, 1545604, 1565605, each \$1000.....                           | 5,000.00    |
| Certificates of deposit:                                                                                         |             |
| Home Savings Bank, No. 532.....                                                                                  | 5,000.00    |
| American Bank & Trust Co., No. 76.....                                                                           | 5,000.00    |
| Murchison National Bank, open account.....                                                                       | 4,237.51    |
|                                                                                                                  | \$64,237.51 |

#### EXPENSES OF WAR RELIEF COMMISSION.

Attention was called to the resolution adopted by the sub-committee at its October, 1918, meeting, authorizing the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal to issue exchequer orders in payment of expenses of the War Relief Commission and charge such expenses to the "general fund" of the Supreme Lodge, in the absence of a specific appropriation by the Supreme Lodge, and the present sub-committee, being informed that the members of the Supreme Tribunal had agreed to a decision contrary to the opinion expressed in the sub-committee resolution adopted in October, 1918, it was decided that this subject matter be laid over for consideration at the annual meeting of the committee on finance.

The sub-committee reaffirms what was said in the report of the January, 1919, audit concerning the methods of keeping the accounts and the earnestness, efficiency and courtesies of the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal and his corps of assistants.

JOHN B. VAUGHN,  
JAMES A. STEESE,  
*Sub-committee.*

MINNEAPOLIS, July 12, 1919.

*Charles S. Davis, S. C., Denver, Colo.:*

The annual meeting of the finance committee of the Supreme Lodge was held in the office of the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal, July 11 and 12, 1919.

Those present were: Richard S. Witte, chairman; Charles J. Deckman, James A. Steese and John B. Vaughn, of the committee on finance; and Charles S. Davis, S. C., and Fred E. Wheaton, S. K. R. S.

The books, records, and accounts of the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal and Supreme Master of Exchequer were examined and audited.

The following is a statement of the Supreme Lodge finances as shown by the books for the quarter ending June 30, 1919:

|                                                     |                    |
|-----------------------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Balance on hand, S. K. R. S., March 31, 1919.....   | \$11,584.89        |
| Receipts during quarter ending June 30.....         | 21,216.68          |
| <b>Total.....</b>                                   | <b>\$32,801.57</b> |
| Remitted to S. M. E. during quarter.....            | 28,906.97          |
| Remitted to S. M. E. June 30, in transit.....       | 3,894.60           |
| <b>Total as above.....</b>                          | <b>\$32,801.57</b> |
| Cash on hand, S. M. E., March 31, 1919.....         | \$64,151.26        |
| Received from S. K. R. S.....                       | 28,906.97          |
| Received account of interest.....                   | 702.48             |
| <b>Total.....</b>                                   | <b>\$93,760.71</b> |
| Warrants issued during quarter.....                 | 16,289.62          |
| <b>Balance on hand, June 30, 1919.....</b>          | <b>\$77,471.09</b> |
| Remittance June 30, in transit.....                 | 3,894.60           |
| <b>Balance including remittance in transit.....</b> | <b>\$81,365.69</b> |
| Warrants outstanding, \$30.00                       |                    |

The funds of the Supreme Master of Exchequer are invested and deposited as follows:

|                                                                 |                    |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Liberty Loan Bonds, in safety deposit box, Peoples Savings Bank | \$45,000.00        |
| Liberty Loan Bonds, Nos. 1936571-2-3, 1545604-5.....            | 5,000.00           |
| Liberty Loan Bonds, subscribed and paid for, not delivered....  | 10,000.00          |
| Home Savings Bank.....                                          | 5,000.00           |
| American Bank & Trust Co.....                                   | 5,000.00           |
| Murchison National Bank, certificate of deposit.....            | 5,000.00           |
| Murchison National Bank, open account.....                      | 2,501.09           |
| <b>Total.....</b>                                               | <b>\$77,501.09</b> |

The Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal submitted the inventory of Supreme Lodge supplies on hand in his office and same was duly checked by the committee and found correct, and, recapitulated, is as follows:

|                   |                   |
|-------------------|-------------------|
| Jewels.....       | \$2,914.76        |
| Jewel cases.....  | 68.92             |
| Cards.....        | 139.56            |
| Blanks.....       | 1,272.20          |
| Books.....        | 4,612.28          |
| <b>Total.....</b> | <b>\$9,007.72</b> |

The Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal submitted report of correspondence, etc., in adjusting with the Government the question of revenue tax under Act of 1918—it being held that all articles held for the Supreme Lodge are for consumption or use under the Act, and that the revenue tax paid by this office complies with the Act and that no further tax attaches to the sale of said articles to subordinate lodges.

The question of the budget of the military department for the ensuing six months was taken up and considered, and the following budget was duly adopted:





*Charles S. Davis*

*Twenty-fourth Supreme Chancellor*

1918-1920

Brother Charles S. Davis, of Denver, Colorado, signally honored the high station of chief executive of this great fraternal brotherhood, and gave a newer and truer meaning to the word "faithfulness." It may be said of him that, by reason of his constant and abiding interest, his deep love for the order, his devotion to every duty and trust, and the matchless consecration of his time, thought, and energy in discharging his official duties, he most signally won an abiding place in the affections and hearts of the great membership he served. He traveled far afield, and the influence of his presence and his splendid Pythian message inspired lodges and members with a determination to score greater success in every avenue of Pythian endeavor. He passed from the position of chief executive of this order bearing with him the kindest feelings of admiration and appreciation. Never was man more deserving of praise, nor has any fraternal society or association ever been favored with more devotion and constant service than that whereby he jeweled his administration. With such a leadership, the order was bound to prosper, and through the years to come the name of Charles S. Davis will shine resplendent in the annals of Pythian affairs and progress.



|                                        |           |
|----------------------------------------|-----------|
| Salary, Major General.....             | \$ 900.00 |
| Clerk hire.....                        | 360.00    |
| Office rent.....                       | 180.00    |
| Traveling expenses, Major General..... | 400.00    |
| Printing.....                          | 300.00    |
| Publicity.....                         | 100.00    |
| Field work.....                        | 600.00    |

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\$2,840.00

Brother Charles J. Deckman made report in behalf of General Loomis, that the military department contemplated an encampment at Cleveland in 1920 and that the major general desired that the finance committee make an appropriation from the military department fund in aid of necessary expenses incidental to the holding of the encampment. Following consideration thereof, the appended resolution was unanimously adopted:

*Resolved*, That there be and hereby is appropriated out of the military department fund the sum of \$1,000 to be used in furthering of the Cleveland encampment to be held in 1920.

RICHARD S. WITTE, *Chairman*,  
 CHARLES J. DECKMAN,  
 JOHN B. VAUGHN,  
 JAMES A. STEESE,  
*Committee on Finance.*

## PRELIMINARY REPORT

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COMPILED FROM ANNUAL REPORTS OF GRAND LODGES FOR  
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1919.

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OFFICE OF THE SUPREME KEEPER OF RECORDS AND SEAL,

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN., May 10, 1920—LVII.

*To the Supreme Chancellor and the Order at Large:*

Following the custom inaugurated ten years ago, in submitting as comprehensively as possible a "preliminary report" detailing the record and experience of the order for the calendar year immediately preceding, we take special pleasure at this time—a pleasure which will be equally gratifying to every member—in calling attention to the splendid showing made by the order at large, as evidenced by the official reports for the year ended December 31st, 1919.

For the four years preceding this report, this office was called upon to use discouraging expressions in announcing membership losses, but this year the tale that is told is decidedly of a different character. The inclination to indulge in pyrotechnic phrases is amply justified, but we feel it becoming to exercise some restraint, lest we allow too much latitude in joyous expression. From the fact that corrections are frequently being reported by grand lodges, announcement is made that there may be some slight changes in the tabulations as shown in this preliminary report when the time comes to prepare the official reports at the end of the current fiscal year, and as such reports will be submitted to the supreme lodge.

### GLORIOUS NINETEEN-NINETEEN

As stated in the Pythian press: "If there be a member of this order who does not feel like throwing his hat high in the air when he reads the glorious record made during the year 1919, he is densely indifferent in his Pythian interest." It's a remarkable record, a wonderful showing, credit for which is shared alike by every member of the order. Think of it! We may now regale ourselves with the fact that this year the order reports the largest total membership it has ever attained, viz.: 746,034. But this is not the best information we are proudly privileged to present at this time. Read this: *The net membership increase for the year 1919 was Forty-Seven Thousand One Hundred and Ninety-Four (47,194)*—the largest increase this order has ever reported for a single year. When it is realized that this magnificent showing is the result of but one year's effort, the record seems all the more remarkable. Every grand domain, with but four exceptions, is represented in the gain column, and the total losses in these four domains was only 664 members. During the fall months of 1919 this office predicted a net membership increase of "25,000" for that year, with the further prediction "that every grand domain would report a gain in membership, or if not, the fault would be entirely their own."

A comparison of conditions involves a retrospective view of things that have gone before. Three years ago, in a corresponding report, attention was called to the fact that the ten-year period of 1906-1916 showed a total net

gain of 45,566—but now we are regaled by the cheering fact that the single year of 1919 exceeds the total gains for the ten years above referred to.

Possibly, throughout all future history, the World War period will be known as "lean years," Pythianly speaking, namely the years 1915, 1916, 1917 and 1918. Each of these years showed a membership loss, the total shrinkage being 30,051—which loss has not only been recovered, but with a credit of 17,164 additional members.

### PRESENT YEAR CONDITIONS

During all the proud history of this order conditions never were better for continued prosperity than exist at the present time. In fact, it may be doubted whether, during any time since the founding of the order, conditions ever were so good. Student members, those in close touch with the order's work, are justified in indulging the prophecy that the year 1920 is quite liable to show an increase of 75,000 members—and this can be done if present activities are continued, or reasonably so, throughout the balance of the year, and if, when the year wanes, subordinate lodges are vigilant in the collection of dues, thus reducing suspensions to a minimum. Greater and better work has been done, is being done, than was scored at any time during the year last past. From reports received, through correspondence and otherwise, initiations during the first four months of the current year, were fully as large, if not larger, than for the full semi-annual period closing the year 1919.

### MID-YEAR REPORT

As is generally known, the supreme lodge does not receive official reports from the order covering semi-annual periods. Grand lodges report officially to this office on the calendar year basis, and in some grand domains subordinate lodges are only required to render one report each year. From the fact that this is a "supreme lodge year," and the further fact, as above stated, that the current year showing is sure to be extremely gratifying, the supreme lodge officers are very desirous of securing membership statistics for the semi-annual term ending June 30th, next. To facilitate grand lodges in reporting this information, this office will prepare a special report blank, in small card form, sending same to the grand keepers of records and seal with request that they be filled out and returned as promptly as possible after July 1st. It may not be possible to secure a complete statement by the time of the supreme lodge convention, but it is hoped and believed that the returns at that time will give a fair index as to the volume of business done during the current semi-annual period.

Herewith follows the tabulation showing the gross results as to membership accretions and deductions, also gains and losses in the total number of subordinate lodges, for the calendar year ended December 31, 1919:

### SUMMARY OF MEMBERSHIP

|                                           |         |
|-------------------------------------------|---------|
| Number of members, December 31, 1918..... | 698,840 |
| Initiated during the year.....            | 77,475  |
| Reinstated.....                           | 12,300  |
| Admitted by card.....                     | 12,721  |
| First total.....                          | 801,336 |

### DEDUCTIONS

|                                       |        |
|---------------------------------------|--------|
| Loss by surrender of charter.....     | 3,461  |
| Suspended for nonpayment of dues..... | 33,116 |
| Expelled.....                         | 118    |
| Withdrawn by card.....                | 10,442 |



|                                                  |         |
|--------------------------------------------------|---------|
| Died.....                                        | 8,165   |
| Total deduction.....                             | 55,302  |
| Number of members, December 31, 1919.....        | 746,034 |
| Net gain in membership during the year 1919..... | 47,194  |

## SUMMARY OF RANK

|                               |         |
|-------------------------------|---------|
| Past Supreme Chancellors..... | 8       |
| Past Grand Chancellors.....   | 1,319   |
| Past Chancellors.....         | 147,055 |
| Knights.....                  | 586,102 |
| Esquires.....                 | 5,086   |
| Pages.....                    | 6,464   |
| Total as above.....           | 746,034 |

## SUBORDINATE LODGES

|                                              |       |
|----------------------------------------------|-------|
| Number of lodges, December 31, 1918.....     | 6,989 |
| Instituted during the year.....              | 56    |
| Charters restored.....                       | 16    |
|                                              | 72    |
| First total.....                             | 7,061 |
| Lodges consolidated.....                     | 74    |
| Charters surrendered.....                    | 122   |
|                                              | 196   |
| Number of lodges, December 31, 1919.....     | 6,865 |
| Net loss in lodges during the year 1919..... | 124   |

## "MONEY" AS WELL AS "MEMBERS"

While during the so-called "lean years" we were called upon to report a recurring membership loss, it will be remembered that, during this period, the order's finances, through a splendid spirit of co-operation and conservation, were commendably safeguarded. However, the showing made for the year last past, in financial matters, is thoroughly in keeping with the splendid membership increase. The total receipts of grand lodges was \$979,756.14, an increase of \$162,126.24 over the preceding year, leaving the cash on hand in grand lodge exchequers, on December 31, 1919, at the handsome sum of \$34,257.46 in excess of the showing made for the previous year. Naturally, grand lodge expenses were higher, but the increased cash reserve balance shows the prosperous financial condition of the domain governing bodies.

Considering the finances of subordinate lodges—the heart and life of the order—we are more accustomed to a review of "large figures," and here we find that the total receipts for the past year reached \$7,225,094.67, which amount, we believe, is the largest gross sum ever reported by subordinate lodges as representing their combined income for a single year. This sum is \$1,243,901.23 in excess of the total receipts for the preceding year. What is of greater moment, however, is the fact that in the item, "cash on hand," the lodges are richer by \$477,748.57 than they were one year ago.

In the assets of the order, grand lodges report \$190,409.43 in excess of the previous year, while subordinate lodge assets have increased to the extent of

\$1,770,201.62. Expenditures for relief, current expenses, and investments, as reported by subordinate lodges, are relatively about the same as during the year preceding. Attention is called to the expenditure of the princely sum of \$1,694,181.95 by subordinate lodges for "relief" purposes during the year, all of which, practically without ostentation, attests to the humanitarian service rendered by the order at large.

Combined "investments" and "real estate" holdings of grand and subordinate lodges show values as follows: Investments, \$6,846,216.28; Real Estate, \$10,155,808.70. These items do not include fixtures, furniture or paraphernalia.

### FINANCIAL STATEMENT

#### GRAND LODGES

|                                      |                       |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Cash on hand, December 31, 1918..... | \$ 319,326.98         |
| Receipts during the year.....        | 979,756.14            |
| First total.....                     | <u>\$1,299,083.12</u> |
| Disbursements during the year.....   | \$ 845,498.68         |
| Cash on hand, December 31, 1919..... | 453,584.44            |
| Total as above.....                  | <u>\$1,299,083.12</u> |

#### ASSETS OF GRAND LODGES

|                               |                       |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Cash on hand.....             | \$ 453,584.44         |
| Investments.....              | 587,160.77            |
| Real estate.....              | 2,157,498.82          |
| Furniture, fixtures, etc..... | 70,002.62             |
| Total assets.....             | <u>\$3,268,246.65</u> |

#### SUBORDINATE LODGES

|                                      |                       |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Cash on hand, December 31, 1918..... | \$1,721,062.45        |
| Receipts during the year.....        | 7,225,094.67          |
| First total.....                     | <u>\$8,946,157.12</u> |
| Expended for relief.....             | \$1,694,181.95        |
| Current expenses.....                | 4,167,246.72          |
| Invested during the year.....        | 885,917.43            |
| Cash on hand, December 31, 1919..... | 2,198,811.02          |
| Total as above.....                  | <u>\$8,946,157.12</u> |

#### ASSETS OF SUBORDINATE LODGES

|                                    |                        |
|------------------------------------|------------------------|
| Cash on hand.....                  | \$2,198,811.02         |
| Investments.....                   | 6,259,055.51           |
| Real estate.....                   | 7,898,309.88           |
| Paraphernalia, furniture, etc..... | 3,739,111.18           |
| Total assets.....                  | <u>\$20,095,287.59</u> |

### SUPREME LODGE FINANCES AND SALES

The past year—in fact, the present biennial period—has been a veritable "record breaker" in the volume of business done by this office in the purchase and sale of official supplies—the best index of the order's general prosperity.

Comparing April 1, 1920, with the condition on April 1, 1918, the supreme lodge shows an increase in cash on hand approximating \$20,000. Mention of this matter in this preliminary report is for the purpose of showing that all "lodges" of the order are in the same prosperous condition. Complete and detailed financial statements will appear in the official reports to be compiled after the close of the supreme lodge fiscal year, ending June 30th, next.

### LODGES NOT REPORTING

Repeated attention has been called to the fact that, even though three months' time is allowed by law for grand lodges to render their annual reports, following the commencement of a new year, nearly all grand domains continue to make the same plaint: "We have been unable to get reports from all subordinate lodges." The supreme keeper of records and seal has frequently made the statement that "there were at least five hundred subordinate lodges that were annually delinquent with their official reports." This statement was questioned about one year ago, and to test out the matter this year, we requested grand lodges to report the number of subordinate lodges that were delinquent, with the result that, with 11 domains not reporting, there were 503 subordinate lodges in the remaining 44 grand domains that had failed to respond when these grand lodges qualified with their annual reports. Naturally, the membership of these delinquent lodges, and other data concerning them, were included in grand lodge returns as per the latest official report rendered by the delinquent lodges.

### A FUTURE BRIGHT WITH PROMISE

Considering all things—not alone the present interest and prosperity that prevails throughout the order—but the fact that Pythian knighthood, in every relation, is "coming into its own," and that everywhere there is a constantly increasing appreciation of the order, its value and worth as an institution that is needed in the science and scheme of life, it is confidently predicted that the future, now so "bright with promise," will fashion this order to a grander and greater realization of its possibilities. With the present momentum, with an ardent and earnest continuance of such constructive and wholesome activities as now obtain throughout the supreme domain, we should be able to claim "One Million Members" possibly by December 31, 1922. We not alone desire and need new members, to increase, as the supreme chancellor says, the "man power" of the order, but we greater need a wider consecration to Pythian ideals, and, if possible, more of fixed purpose in the high calling of that fraternity which we seek to emphasize. The adoption of one or more worth-while "objectives," something to which and in the furtherance of, all members may be united in their fulfillment, is worthy of careful and earnest consideration at this time.

There is submitted, as a part of this report, the accompanying statement showing the number of lodges and members, and their gains and losses, as a result of the order's wonderful activities during the past year.

Fraternally submitted,

  
S. K. R. S.

## STATEMENT SHOWING GAINS AND LOSSES—YEAR 1919

| GRAND DOMAINS             | LODGES |      |      | MEMBERSHIP |        |      |
|---------------------------|--------|------|------|------------|--------|------|
|                           | Total  | Gain | Loss | Total      | Gain   | Loss |
| Alabama.....              | 195    | ..   | ...  | 10,750     | 731    | ...  |
| Alberta.....              | 17     | ..   | 8    | 728        | .....  | 418  |
| Arizona.....              | 26     | ..   | ...  | 2,248      | 144    | ...  |
| Arkansas.....             | 106    | ..   | 8    | 4,825      | 199    | ...  |
| British Columbia.....     | 36     | ..   | ...  | 3,049      | .....  | 12   |
| California.....           | 220    | ..   | 5    | 25,271     | 1,619  | ...  |
| Colorado.....             | 73     | ..   | 3    | 7,010      | 315    | ...  |
| Connecticut.....          | 67     | ..   | ...  | 8,720      | 145    | ...  |
| Delaware.....             | 17     | ..   | ...  | 2,003      | 93     | ...  |
| District of Columbia..... | 16     | ..   | ...  | 1,192      | 122    | ...  |
| Florida.....              | 73     | ..   | ...  | 6,068      | 589    | ...  |
| Georgia.....              | 165    | 1    | ...  | 11,016     | 660    | ...  |
| Idaho.....                | 39     | ..   | 4    | 3,181      | 40     | ...  |
| Illinois.....             | 467    | ..   | 1    | 52,715     | 1,290  | ...  |
| Indiana.....              | 472    | ..   | 7    | 65,282     | 2,916  | ...  |
| Iowa.....                 | 246    | ..   | 9    | 25,712     | 1,966  | ...  |
| Kansas.....               | 115    | ..   | 3    | 8,598      | 464    | ...  |
| Kentucky.....             | 174    | ..   | 8    | 10,517     | 427    | ...  |
| Louisiana.....            | 98     | 1    | ...  | 5,831      | 266    | ...  |
| Maine.....                | 139    | ..   | 4    | 17,628     | 737    | ...  |
| Manitoba.....             | 15     | ..   | ...  | 1,127      | .....  | 5    |
| Maritime Provinces.....   | 31     | 3    | ...  | 3,935      | 411    | ...  |
| Maryland.....             | 92     | ..   | ...  | 10,587     | 740    | ...  |
| Massachusetts.....        | 159    | ..   | 13   | 26,600     | 1,192  | ...  |
| Michigan.....             | 168    | ..   | ...  | 25,200     | 1,366  | ...  |
| Minnesota.....            | 71     | ..   | 5    | 7,082      | 311    | ...  |
| Mississippi.....          | 106    | ..   | 17   | 6,122      | 24     | ...  |
| Missouri.....             | 225    | ..   | 10   | 23,665     | 65     | ...  |
| Montana.....              | 40     | ..   | ...  | 3,539      | 69     | ...  |
| Nebraska.....             | 114    | ..   | 7    | 6,551      | 101    | ...  |
| Nevada.....               | 23     | ..   | 2    | 1,620      | .....  | 29   |
| New Hampshire.....        | 64     | ..   | ...  | 6,745      | 256    | ...  |
| New Jersey.....           | 118    | ..   | ...  | 15,430     | 1,078  | ...  |
| New Mexico.....           | 22     | 2    | ...  | 1,704      | 306    | ...  |
| New York.....             | 193    | ..   | 3    | 22,602     | 1,256  | ...  |
| North Carolina.....       | 108    | ..   | 6    | 7,873      | 781    | ...  |
| North Dakota.....         | 35     | ..   | 1    | 3,086      | 196    | ...  |
| Ohio.....                 | 616    | ..   | 5    | 96,190     | 9,425  | ...  |
| Oklahoma.....             | 120    | 2    | ...  | 8,580      | 1,804  | ...  |
| Ontario.....              | 30     | ..   | ...  | 3,735      | 376    | ...  |
| Oregon.....               | 79     | 1    | ...  | 10,015     | 1,821  | ...  |
| Pennsylvania.....         | 425    | ..   | 8    | 61,542     | 4,254  | ...  |
| Quebec.....               | 11     | ..   | ...  | 893        | 76     | ...  |
| Rhode Island.....         | 24     | ..   | ...  | 2,668      | 25     | ...  |
| South Carolina.....       | 142    | 5    | ...  | 10,488     | 461    | ...  |
| South Dakota.....         | 52     | ..   | ...  | 2,895      | 150    | ...  |
| Tennessee.....            | 135    | ..   | 4    | 7,774      | 272    | ...  |
| Texas.....                | 254    | ..   | 7    | 22,429     | 1,477  | ...  |
| Utah.....                 | 22     | 1    | ...  | 1,739      | 245    | ...  |
| Vermont.....              | 33     | ..   | ...  | 2,516      | 85     | ...  |
| Virginia.....             | 80     | ..   | ...  | 8,353      | 878    | ...  |
| Washington.....           | 110    | ..   | 1    | 11,137     | 656    | ...  |
| West Virginia.....        | 236    | 8    | ...  | 28,653     | 2,960  | ...  |
| Wisconsin.....            | 113    | ..   | ...  | 17,500     | 1,775  | ...  |
| Wyoming.....              | 17     | 1    | ...  | 1,353      | 54     | ...  |
| Subordinate lodges.....   | 21     | ..   | ...  | 1,762      | .....  | 11   |
| Totals.....               | 6,865  | 25   | 149  | 746,034    | 47,669 | 475  |

## Biennial Report of the Supreme Chancellor

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DENVER, COLORADO, July 24, 1920—P. P. LVII.

### *To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

With unselfish pride we examined the Official Record of Proceedings of the Thirtieth Convention of the Supreme Lodge, held at Detroit, Michigan, August 12 to 18, 1918, inclusive. Inscribed in this permanent record and part of the proceedings of the closing hour of the convention, we observed the following:

"Supreme Chancellor Charles S. Davis, in a brief address, assured the members of the Supreme Lodge that he would give all of the ability and strength he possessed in an earnest effort to build up the order during the ensuing two years and expressed the hope that before the term expired 'peace would again reign throughout the world.'"

We also recalled the pledge made to the members of the Supreme Lodge that all of the time of the Supreme Chancellor would be devoted entirely to the service of the order. Followed with the benediction, the Thirtieth Convention of the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias passed into history during the most critical period in the World's War, when the fate of Governments and civilization were in the balance, and the armies of freedom and righteousness were contesting with the common foe in the arena of liberty to save the world for the progress of humanity.

The foot-prints of time registers the passing of two years, and again we are assembled in biennial convention with added experience and fully prepared to assume our responsibilities to the Brotherhood and humanity.

The Supreme Chancellor congratulates the Supreme Lodge that it has assembled under such auspicious circumstances to hold the Thirty-first Convention. The place, the time and the conditions are outstanding factors in giving assurance that the officers and members of the Supreme Lodge will commence their labors inspired by the record of achievement during the past two years.

With a heart full of gratitude for the blessings of health, strength and energy to carry forward the service to the Order, the Supreme Chancellor is now permitted to report that every pledge made and assurance given by him at the Detroit Convention have been fulfilled. We shall rest content to have the Supreme Lodge pass final judgment from the record and then determine whether the promises made have been diligently observed.

Obedient to the mandate that the Supreme Chancellor should render at the end of the term an accounting of his stewardship, his official acts and the general administration of the affairs of his office, we have the honor to submit the following report for the consideration of the Supreme Lodge:

As a foreword, I shall make these observations: There shall be no effort made to disclose unusual talent in word-painting, nor shall we



draw upon the imagination to coin new phrases as appetizers for the intellect. The sophist is ever ready in this day of confusion to attract those who are wont to accept untried theories and follow false gods. Meaningless platitudes are utterances that are destructive of mental poise and cohesive thinking. Rhetoric has its place and fills the gap betwixt the mind and soul. All of these features are to be omitted.

The Supreme Lodge is the legislative branch of the Order and is assembled in convention for the transaction of business. It represents over three-quarters of a million of men who look to our leadership for direction and counsel, and who expect, as a result of our deliberations, constructive, forceful and practical enactments commensurate with the position our Order occupies in matters Economic, Patriotic, Educational, Charitable, Beneficent and Civic.

Our legislation must embrace sound and underlying principles applicable to all conditions and circumstances. We are a Fraternity and complex legislation is sure to result in confusion and misunderstanding. We have learned to place a more extended definition on the word FRATERNITY and the functioning of a FRATERNAL SOCIETY. The work of the Knights of Pythias may be made world-wide, yet we are limited in our ability to serve by the measure of our membership and resources.

**"DOUBLE THE MEMBERSHIP; EVERY MEMBER PROCURE A MEMBER."**

The campaign inaugurated by the Supreme Chancellor under the slogan, "DOUBLE THE MEMBERSHIP; EVERY MEMBER PROCURE A MEMBER," and the co-operation of other movements promoted for the same purpose, have the basis of acquiring that which will furnish the resources to carry forward greater enterprises for the extension of Pythianism, demanding the expenditure of large sums of money. The advices received by the Supreme Chancellor from many Grand Domains and leading Pythians throughout the Supreme Domain conveys the gratifying information that to this campaign for membership is the phenomenal growth of the Order largely attributable. And with this increased man power and resources, the Supreme Chancellor is able to report the greatest activity ever experienced in the Order in every sphere of Fraternal, Patriotic and Civic Endeavor.

A word with respect to criticism: The membership need not hearken or be disturbed by expressions of criticism of those of impaired vision, or who are uninformed of what is being accomplished through the direct agency and influence of the Knights of Pythias. Nearly seven thousand lodges, with a total membership of over 746,000 on December 31, 1919, and possibly 800,000 members at this very moment, and twenty-five millions in financial resources, did not arise from the mist of inertia or from the ruins of disappointment to our membership or to the world. What of the millions upon millions of dollars expended in relief? What of the magnificent and adequately equipped homes erected and maintained for our aged, infirm and indigent members and their families? What of the great Pythian institutions dedicated to the care of the widows and orphans? What of the invaluable welfare and social activities throughout the land made more fertile in humanitarianism, and more radiant and God-like through the reflection of Pythian service and sunshine? This is a brief inventory of service to unfold on every occasion when Pythian topics are referred to or under discussion. It will interest our members and be attractive to those whom we wish to interest in becoming associated with us in membership.

We do not claim to have reached Utopia or that we ever will. We shall always be generous enough to acknowledge our imperfections. We

have to consider that the engagements of the Order have only been of fifty-six years' duration, and yet our achievements are noteworthy and many. We are still in the process of growth spiritually, fraternally, numerically and financially. In the new era in the world's work we shall explore new fields of endeavor and expand in our benefactions to mankind. To do all of this the Order need neither become speculative, nor spectacular, nor be wafted into unknown seas on a wave of sentimentality or inexperienced suggestion.

We are not to be judged altogether by our ability to pay sick and funeral benefits. Our realm of usefulness reaches far beyond a materialism measured in money values, nor shall our success be estimated wholly by our bounty to the aged, indigent and afflicted, or to the widows and orphans.

Community service on the part of organizations during the war gave evidence of the wonderful instrumentality of fraternal societies in making itself a part, if not the center, of direction for the common weal. We shall never depart from featuring our lodge room work, association and assimilation. From this point we must assemble and organize the forces at our command to carry into a realism the service we owe to the community, the state and the nation. Our activities must continue to be distinguished to a very large extent from that of commercial bodies and clubs. We must sustain, to the very highest degree, the dignity and potentiality of the lodge room, the ritualism and the kindly and unbiased discussion with respect to what we shall do for humanity, and to carry forward our energies to produce results that will give substantial evidence to the entire community that our operations are not selfish, or limited to our membership. Pythian doctrine and activities are of such character that we naturally become available to the community, state and nation for the performance of duties implying patriotic, fraternal, uplift and welfare service.

In applying our charity and beneficence, we are apt to consider only those coming under our protection or have reached a condition of dependency upon institutional aid. The great boon to mankind is preventive measures. If in our power, we should prevent the situation requiring men to become dependent upon public or private funds or funds of fraternal societies. The Order of Knights of Pythias is equipped for this work through its Lodge System, its counsel and direction. If, however, the situation should arise requiring our relief, whatever the nature of the assistance may be, our Order shall and will respond in the cause of humanity and in the name of Pythianism and humanity, and it shall not be called charity.

"There is no man with brain and bone so strong that he may walk the earth alone, and never stretch forth his hand for aid."

The Supreme Chancellor has given careful consideration to the future of the Order, its growth, the constantly increasing age of the membership and the possible infirmities incident thereto and those members who, through misfortune or indiscretion, have to rely upon the benefactions of the Order for relief. This assistance also to be extended to the families of our Brothers. Under the proper heading I shall take up this matter and make recommendations for the creation of an Endowment Fund.

The Supreme Chancellor entered upon his duties, having had the advantage of the extended experience accumulated during his incumbency in the office of Supreme Vice Chancellor, during which period practically all of his time was devoted to the interest of the Order. Observation was made and plans determined upon for the practical constructive development of the Order, and to carry forward this movement the Supreme Chancellor determined first upon the objective of visiting every Domain

in the Supreme Domain, these visitations to be made at Grand Lodge Conventions, Special District Conventions in the respective Domains, and, whenever possible, both. As a further stimulus for the advancement of the Order the systematic promulgation of official communications was decided upon. It is now manifest that the plan was well conceived, and whatever expense was incurred in carrying out the program was justified in the results attained. Under proper headings we shall refer more fully to these subjects.

### INFLUENZA EPIDEMIC.

This unexpected and inexplicable disease became prevalent throughout our country during the months of September, October and a part of November, 1918. Its havoc was so intense and the situation so fraught with danger to life, the health authorities issued orders and instructions preventing the holding of meetings of every kind and nature or the assembling of persons in groups. In consequence of this situation, all lodge activities were suspended, thus postponing the inauguration of the Supreme Chancellor's plans for the period herein stated.

### THE END OF WAR ATROCITIES.

#### *The Armistice.*

As already stated, the Supreme Lodge Convention of 1918 was held during the most trying and distressing period of the war. The lamentable situation at that time indicated that the foe would not be thoroughly conquered for at least two years and the sovereignty of right over might finally established, but the forces of the United States co-operating with the Allies proved to be the decisive element in determining the greatest conflict between nations that the world has ever known, and the routing and turning back of the enemy commenced sooner than was expected.

On November 11, 1918, the armistice was signed and a new-born era ushered into the world. The war was at an end, and a new corner-stone of Liberty and Justice erected in memory of the self-sacrifice and patriotism of our young manhood, sanctified through baptism in the purifying blood of heroes over whose graves shafts of love are now raised, and in whose memory and patriotism we reconsecrate ourselves in challenging the evils of bolshevism, radicalism and treason.

The Supreme Chancellor, in his utterances to the membership by word and pen, declared this to be the duty of Pythians in behalf of civilization and justice. The signing of the armistice gave vent to universal rejoicing, and even to the enemy it meant relief. The shouting multitudes and the pealing peace bells were accepted as tributes to the dead, and to those in the ranks of the soldiery who stood ready to respond to the call of the commander, and to the mothers whose devotion and sacrifice might be glorified in the events of the day.

Expressive of the patriotism, loyalty and support of the Order of Knights of Pythias, the Supreme Chancellor wired the following message to the President of the United States:

HON. WOODROW WILSON,  
*President of the United States,*  
Washington, D. C.

DENVER, COLORADO, November 11, 1918.

The Order of Knights of Pythias, American in birth, principle and thought, ordained to carry forward the cause for which our country and our Allies have fought and conquered, reacclaims this blessed day, its fealty to our flag and our country. The glorious victory perpetuates a monument to mankind for national fraternalism, democracy, liberty and peace. The Supreme Chancellor pledges the loyalty of the Order to aid with heart and soul in commemorating the victory and to assist with all the power at its command in every readjustment and reconstruction for peace on earth and good will to man.

CHARLES S. DAVIS,  
*Supreme Chancellor,*  
*Order of Knights of Pythias.*

The following reply was received:

THE WHITE HOUSE, WASHINGTON.

The President thanks you most cordially for your generous message and very deeply appreciates your kindness in sending it to him.

In commemoration of the victory and in glorification of armistice day, the Supreme Chancellor wired the following proclamation to each respective Grand Chancellor:

DENVER, COLORADO, November 11, 1918.

The Order of Knights of Pythias, American in birth, principle and thought, ordained to carry forward the cause for which our country and our Allies have fought and conquered, reacclaims this blessed day, its fealty to mankind, for national fraternalism, democracy, liberty and everlasting peace. The Supreme Chancellor pledges the loyalty of the entire Order to aid with heart and soul in commemorating the victory and assisting with all the power at its command in every readjustment and reconstruction for peace on earth and good will to men. Grand Chancellors are urgently requested to issue immediately a proclamation to the membership through their respective lodges conveying this message of the Supreme Chancellor.

CHARLES S. DAVIS,  
*Supreme Chancellor.*

These officers responded promptly to the request of the Supreme Chancellor and issued proclamations correspondingly.

### THANKSGIVING VICTORY CELEBRATION.

On November 15, 1918, I was at Wilmington, Delaware, in attendance upon the Grand Lodge Convention of Delaware, and there conceived the idea that a Thanksgiving Victory Celebration Week should be inaugurated commencing with Monday, November 25, and at which time the membership might deem it eminently proper to continue voluntary contributions to the Pythian War Relief Fund, believing at the time that the demands upon this fund would be far in excess of that which it ultimately proved to be. From Wilmington, Delaware, I issued the following Thanksgiving Victory Celebration proclamation, the same being transmitted to the entire membership of the Supreme Lodge, to all Grand Chancellors and to all Grand Keepers of Record and Seal:

WILMINGTON, DELAWARE, November 15, 1918.

As Supreme Chancellor of the Order of Knights of Pythias, I officially proclaim and declare the week commencing Monday, November 25th, 1918, for the Thanksgiving Victory Celebration throughout the entire Order, and at which time the appeal to the membership shall be continued for voluntary contributions to the Pythian War Relief Fund, as a tribute of love and devotion to our gallant Pythian soldiers, their families and dependents, and in further recognition of the supreme sacrifice made by them in securing victory for the cause of humanity, civilization and fraternity.

Grand Chancellors hereby are requested to officially promulgate this proclamation to all subordinate lodges in their respective Grand Domains, to the end that the week celebration shall be fittingly observed throughout the Supreme Domain, in a manner fully demonstrating the patriotism and fraternalism of the Order, and in the interest of Pythian education.

CHARLES S. DAVIS,  
*Supreme Chancellor and Chairman of the Committee on Pythian Education.*

This celebration was observed throughout the entire Supreme Domain and reports received indicated that many of the largest gatherings ever held by the Pythian Order resulted from the activities of the Grand Chancellors in causing this celebration to be a success. This proclamation was issued under the auspices of the Committee on Education of the Supreme Lodge and signed by the Supreme Chancellor as Chairman of this Committee.

### ANNIVERSARY AND PATRIOTIC CELEBRATIONS.

Notable events during the biennial term were functions properly celebrating the natal day of the order, Anniversary Week, and events especially dedicated to public occasions commensurate with the movements inaugurated to accelerate patriotism and a better understanding of the



principles underlying our traditional civilization, which is our heritage, and for which we must stand united as a people and patriotic order in opposition to any movement designed to disturb or destroy the orderly proceeding of government and the law. The occasions were all largely attended. The outpouring of Pythians and their friends gave added zest to the general awakening of patriotic and community endeavor on the part of the order. The public press were exceptionally generous in their notices of the occasions and in many instances published the entire addresses delivered. The summaries were always given. The Pythian Press as usual were bounteous in their assistance.

The Fifty-fifth Anniversary was designated by me as of special moment incorporating patriotic features in honor and memory of our heroes who made the supreme sacrifice and our love and respect for all those that served in behalf of Liberty and Justice. For this occasion an appropriate proclamation was promulgated.

#### PROCLAMATION.

1864—LIBERTY, FREEDOM, FRATERNITY—1919  
*Fifty-fifth Anniversary.*

The Fifty-fifth Anniversary of the founding of the Order Knights of Pythias will bring us many emotions of gratitude and provoke our sincerest appreciation as benefactors of a sturdy pioneer parentage. It will be no ordinary sympathy, for members of the Order have viewed the sufferings brought about by four years of war, and, now that peace is soon to crown the victorious fruitage of our armies, Pythians everywhere may enter into the Anniversary celebration with profound thanksgiving. Our Order has borne its share of the great conflict in the giving of its younger manhood and in co-ordination of all its powers and resources. In its performance of duty, our Order has established its right to fellowship of the people of the world who reverence right and love liberty and justice.

In keeping with the Anniversary spirit, the celebration of the fifty-fifth birthday of our Order should, therefore, be a jubilation in which honor is given those stalwart, fearless men who carried forward our flag, unstained and aloft, on land and sea.

In recognition of the Anniversary and in order to more fully pay homage to those of our membership returning from military fields and camps, and to inspire us to greater diligence that the Order may, now as always, meet every need of man for fellowship and mutual helpfulness:

Now, therefore, I, Charles S. Davis, Supreme Chancellor of the Order Knights of Pythias, do hereby designate and proclaim the week of February, seventeenth to twenty-second, of the year nineteen hundred and nineteen, Anniversary Week.

It is my most earnest desire that every subordinate Lodge in the Supreme Domain shall, by appropriate ceremony, commemorate the founding of the Order and, in so far as possible, give fitting recognition to our returning soldier members, and, by plans and renewed energy for greater growth, advance the Order we love so well.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto affixed my signature and caused the great seal of the Supreme Lodge to be affixed and attested by the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal, at Denver, Colorado, this the 10th day of January, 1919.

Attest:

FRED E. WHEATON,  
*Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal.*

CHARLES S. DAVIS,  
*Supreme Chancellor.*

#### TRAVELS AND OFFICIAL VISITATIONS.

As stated in the introduction of this report, the Supreme Chancellor visited every domain in the Supreme Domain, comprising the forty-eight states in the United States and seven provinces in the Dominion of Canada. The visitations were made at Grand Lodge Conventions or Special District Conventions, and in many of the Domains we had the opportunity of attending the Grand Lodge Conventions and in addition from two to five District Conventions in each respective Domain. Without making an accurate estimate, my judgment is over 100,000 miles of railroad travel was consumed in these extended visitations. The message of Pythianism and patriotism was conveyed to the very threshold of the Pythian membership throughout the Supreme Domain. In many localities public meetings were held. The Supreme Chancellor was invited, and invitations accepted, to address noon-day luncheons given by the Rotarians, Kiwanis and Lions Clubs and in many instances the Chamber of Commerce.



At these assemblies it was my pleasure, in representing the Order of the Knights of Pythias, as its Executive, to speak of the relationship of the Order with community service and the progress of the municipality in matters Civic, Social and Fraternal. The press was bounteous in making extended reports of these functions, and it was the consensus of opinion that this method of presenting the Order to the business and professional men throughout the Supreme Domain had produced effective and permanent results for the Order's progress.

I visited even the remote sections of the Supreme Domain. In Canada I traveled as far east as Halifax in Nova Scotia, and Vancouver, B. C., to the west. The campaign for membership and the extension of the service of the Order was not confined to officially communicating with the lodges and membership. Back of it was placed the personal element of coming in close touch with the membership, commingling with them and arousing their enthusiasm and ardor for greater service and constancy in their efforts. This could only be accomplished satisfactorily by reaching the membership in large numbers and through the plan of District Conventions. At these conventions in many instances eighty per cent of the lodges in the entire Domain were represented by large committees, or the members arrived in special trains and automobiles, and I have a memorandum of eight members in Nevada traveling on horseback 170 miles to attend the convention at Elko. Many incidents of this nature occurred. I must relate the action of the Lodge at Minot, North Dakota, which placed at my disposal an airplane to carry me from Swift Current, Saskatchewan, Canada, to Minot. This was thought necessary on account of delayed trains on the Canadian Pacific from the Coast, but influence was brought to bear on the railroad officials and a special train arranged to carry the Supreme Chancellor and other belated passengers east, and I arrived at Minot in ample time for the convention.

The outpouring of the membership everywhere was gratifying. The inconvenience of travel oft-times experienced, delayed trains, and snowstorms in no way deterred either the members or the Supreme Chancellor from carrying to complete success their program. The experience required undaunted courage, but was pleasurable because of the success of the undertaking.

The programs everywhere were replete with interest. My receptions were uniformly all that could be expected. Nothing was left undone for my convenience. I was signally impressed with my hearty welcome in the Domains in the Dominion of Canada.

My travels and official visitations will ever remain a pleasurable memory in my life's work as a part of my official duty as Supreme Chancellor, educational and humanizing. The loving handshakes, the illumined faces, the encouragement and the Godspeed in parting will never be erased from my recollection of my communion with thousands and thousands of Pythians and friends throughout the Supreme Domain.

In these official visitations the Supreme Chancellor was invariably accompanied by either Grand Lodge officers, Supreme Representatives or others delegated.

The file in the office of the Supreme Chancellor is replete with communications from the Grand Chancellors, Grand Keepers of Records and Seal, Supreme Representatives and others commending these extended visitations and the results thereof. The rank and file of the membership are keenly desirous of meeting the officers of the Supreme Lodge and feel that this courtesy is due them, and in return it is incumbent upon the Supreme Chancellor to reach, during his official term, as large a percentage of the total membership of the Order as possible. He is justified in visiting even the most remote and inactive sections of the

Supreme Domain. In fact, his duty is to promote and enthuse interest throughout the Order.

The growth and progress of Pythianism depends upon the everyday working member. His heart and soul are wrapped up in the Fraternity. These men can be met by, or can meet, the Supreme Chancellor only at Special District Conventions.

The undertaking to visit every Domain in the Supreme Domain demands much personal sacrifice and is an objective, when completed, that consumes many months of time in travel and requires abundance of energy, persistence and purpose, all of which the Supreme Chancellor had at his disposal.

We were admonished repeatedly by those in the Order who kept in touch with the movements of the Supreme Chancellor, that it was necessary to slow up for the purpose of conserving health. However, this was not needed. The extended visitations were not a task. The pleasure of meeting thousands upon thousands of Knights of Pythias throughout the Supreme Domain gives an inspiration for work and service, which precludes every other consideration. The long periods of absence from the office in no wise delayed taking care of the voluminous correspondence promptly by the Supreme Chancellor. Mail was forwarded daily and telegrams repeated, and in this way the business of the office was personally and satisfactorily conducted.

The Supreme Chancellor takes the liberty of including in his report on Official Visitations, the following letter from the Grand Chancellor of the Domain of Manitoba. The sentiment expressed therein was universal throughout the Dominion of Canada:

WINNIPEG, MANITOBA, June 14, 1920.

HON. CHARLES S. DAVIS,  
*Supreme Chancellor, Order of Knights of Pythias,*  
Denver, Colorado.

My Dear Supreme Chancellor:

In regard to your visit to the Domain of Manitoba, I wish to express, on behalf of our membership, some of our thoughts and observations.

It is almost beyond our memory when we were favored by any incumbent of your office with a visit; of course when Supreme Lodge convened here in 1914 we enjoyed the company of many notable Pythians.

Perhaps on this account we appreciated your visit to the utmost. We have felt somewhat like outcasts, as no one seemed to think it worth while to journey up to what I suppose was considered the wilds of Canada.

During your stay among us (which seemed all too brief) we feel that you have strengthened the chain that binds us together in the cause of Pythian fraternity. Our knowledge of the Order has been enriched and our appreciation of its purposes broadened by your energetic and sincere efforts.

We have felt the need of a closer bond between our Brothers to the South, East and West and we believe that this feeling could not have been gratified in any better way than by contact with one who has traveled and learned like yourself.

Your messages through your official communications have always received a ready welcome and been given careful and earnest consideration; we have noted with pleasure your lofty ideals and noble purposes.

We believe no one could do more than you have to benefit the Order and the way in which you have carried out your ideas without thought of sacrifice of time and money is surely worthy of a humble word of commendation from any who, like ourselves, are alive to the facts.

We wish to record our appreciation of the golden hours we enjoyed while you were here, to assure you of the high esteem in which you are held and to promise at all times our earnest and hearty co-operation. We extend kind wishes for your future welfare in, any capacity, and hope that these humble words of appreciation may in some measure compensate you for your trip to the wilds of Canada. We are, Sir,

Sincerely and fraternally yours,

GRAND DOMAIN OF MANITOBA,  
FRED T. SHIPMAN,  
*Grand Chancellor.*

P. S.: If this or anything else we can do will serve to bring the matter before any who would benefit, or would assist you in any way we are at your service.

F. S.

### THE ORDER IN THE DOMINION OF CANADA.

The situation in the Dominion of Canada deserves the attention of the Supreme Lodge. In this section of North America there is a population of about eight and a half millions with a total membership in the Order, as shown in the official statement as of December 31, 1919, of 14,167, which includes the outlying District of Saskatchewan. Our Brethren of the North are earnestly desirous of assimilating to a larger extent with us of the South, and we know of no greater instrumentality to bring about this comity of feeling and cordial relationship than through the Order of Knights of Pythias. The communication from Grand Chancellor Shipman is indicative of the sentiment throughout Canada and may we not engage our service in every way possible to aid the Grand Domains in the Dominion of Canada in increasing their membership. We feel that our visitations in the provinces of the Dominion of Canada will show decidedly favorable results in the near future.

In all of the official visitations the consideration and courtesies extended to the Supreme Chancellor by the membership and citizenship was fully appreciated. We accept the honors conferred as an index of the standing of the Order throughout the Supreme Domain.

### THE STATE OF THE ORDER.

Pythian history does not disclose a period since the inception of our fraternity when the state of the Order excelled its present condition. Nothing within the power of the Supreme Chancellor was left undone to accelerate the opportunities for advancing the interest of the Order throughout the Supreme Domain from every essential—patriotically, fraternally, civically and socially. It was our good fortune to procure newspaper publicity which brought the order magnificently before the public in a manner which received commendation from every source. No larger assemblies of Pythias and the public could be wished for than gathered at the Special District Conventions and public meetings held throughout the Supreme Domain. My official communications were always prepared and worded to awaken enthusiasm and to give counsel and direction for the constructive development of the Order. Every indication suggests the value of the methods of reaching the entire membership.

The record of numerical growth in the Order is remarkable. We have reached the largest membership ever attained in the Order of Knights of Pythias, viz., 746,020. The net gain for the calendar year 1919 discloses the phenomenal number of 47,180. The column of Domains all show decided increases excepting Alberta, showing a loss of 418, British Columbia 12, Manitoba 5, and Nevada 29.

The report of the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal to the Supreme Chancellor, in showing comparisons, states: "A comparison of conditions involves a retrospective view of things that have gone before. Three years ago, in a corresponding report, attention was called to the fact that the ten-year period of 1906 to 1916 showed a total net gain of 45,566, but now we are regaled by the cheering fact that the single year of 1919 exceeds the total gains of the ten years above referred to." We are presented with the gratifying situation that the increase of membership during the one year of 1919 has offset the losses of 30,213 of the previous four years. This loss has been recovered and in addition thereto we are credited with a gain of 16,967 members.

Members suspended calendar year 1918.....35,511

Members suspended calendar year 1919.....33,180

a decrease of 2,331—reducing the average of suspensions very greatly, taking into consideration the enormous increase of membership for the year.

During the calendar year 1919, 77,503 members were initiated; during the calendar year 1918, 27,903 members were initiated—an increase of 49,600 for one year. We now present ample evidence that a campaign for membership means more than increased numbers. This is reported in corroboration of the defense made by the Supreme Chancellor for inaugurating this campaign, and again referring to the report of the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal, we are pleased to quote the following:

"During all the proud history of this Order conditions were never better for continued prosperity than exist at the present time." \* \* \* "Student members close in touch with the Order's work are justified in indulging the prophecy that the year 1920 is quite liable to show an increase of 75,000." So much for the membership increases.

Now as to the results incidental thereto: "However, the showing made for the year last past in financial matters is thoroughly in keeping with the splendid membership increase." \* \* \* "The total receipts of Grand Lodges were \$979,756.14—an increase of \$162,126.24 over the preceding year." \* \* \* "Considering the finances of subordinate lodges—the heart and life of the Order—we are more accustomed to a review of large figures, and here we find that the total receipts for the past year reached \$7,225,094.67, which we believe is the largest sum ever reported by subordinate lodges, as representing their combined income for a single year. This sum is \$1,243,901.23 in excess of the total receipts for the preceding year." \* \* \* "The lodges are richer by \$477,748.57 than they were one year ago." \* \* \* "Attention is called to the expenditure of the princely sum of \$1,694,181.95 by subordinate lodges for relief purposes during the year, all of which, practically without ostentation, attest to the humanitarian service rendered by the Order at large."

The combined investments and holdings of Grand and Subordinate lodges is reported as follows:

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| Subordinate lodges .....                                       | \$20,095,287.59   |
| Grand lodges .....                                             | 3,268,246.65      |
| a sum total of the assets of the Grand and Subordinate lodges, | \$23,363,-534.24. |

Increased membership has produced vastly increased resources and increased ability to carry forward greater objectives for a greater Pythianism, which permits the Supreme Lodge to determine whether or not the time is now propitious for the collection of a periodical per capita tax for the creation of the proposed Endowment Fund that can now be accomplished without, to any appreciable extent, reducing or disturbing the assets now held or that may be accumulated by the Grand or subordinate lodges in the future.

The Supreme Lodge is, as stated, the legislative branch of the Order. It is designed to function legislation to carry forward the systematic and orderly conduct of the Order. At the 1916 Convention of the Supreme Lodge, after proper referendum to Grand Lodges, the Supreme Constitution was amended to provide that the "Supreme government shall have the power to make appropriations of money for its maintenance and may make appropriations for benevolent and fraternal purposes." Under this provision we assume that it will be perfectly proper and lawful for the Supreme Lodge to levy an assessment against the entire membership of the Order for the creation of an Endowment Fund, the uses of which are to be for benevolent and fraternal purposes, and thus nationalize our benefactions.

The Supreme Lodge does announce its policies with respect to patriotism, civic righteousness, social betterments and educational functioning. We cannot see how specific legislation can be enacted to carry into effect these very commendable and altruistic and altogether proper



extensions of the activities of the Order. However efficient the Supreme Lodge might be, it cannot with minuteness legislate for and direct with accuracy what Grand and subordinate lodges should do. It is expected that Grand and subordinate lodges shall carry forward movements in behalf of the people and humanity. Both must possess initiative action, which, of course, must always be confined to the laws and usages of the Order.

The Supreme Chancellor, addressing the Grand Lodges and Special District Conventions in behalf of Pythianism, whole-heartedly enunciated the duty of the Order in patriotic and civic welfare. No idle sentiment was indulged in. The policy of the Order of Knights of Pythias in patriotic endeavor dates from the birth of the Order, and I submit that the Order of Knights of Pythias has proved itself worthy of a place in history for its splendid service to the Government and to its membership during the war, and, further, at the present time is engaging itself in community and civic affairs to a degree that deserves the commendation of the Supreme Lodge, and all serious-thinking, studious members of the Order who are seeking to learn the facts.

The following is from the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal of a prominent Domain addressed to the Grand Keepers of Records and Seal in the Supreme Domain:

"You already know that the forward-lookers and real thinkers of the Order are practically agreed that our Order is not measuring up to the large opportunities of its day. 'We have too long permitted sentiment to usurp the place of judgment,' and glittering generalities and beautiful platitudes will no longer answer in this practical day. The novelty of the lodge room work has already passed, although, of course, the beautiful lessons of the ritual are yet impressive. If Pythianism and patriotism are synonymous, ought not our Order to be more active in civic affairs and Americanization? What remedy or progressive policy would you suggest?"

The Supreme Chancellor has attempted to distinguish between the legal and implied functions of the Supreme Lodge and its relationship with extended service allowed to Grand and subordinate lodges to function, and which is endorsed by the Supreme Lodge. The answer, then, to the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal and to all others in this premise is, if there has been failure to carry forward movements in civic affairs and patriotism or Americanization, as the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal terms it, then the fault lies within the respective Domains and not within the Supreme Lodge, nor shall we agree that "the novelty of the lodge room work has already passed."

In the introduction to this report the Supreme Chancellor has called attention to the wonderful instrumentality of the lodge room and the lodge. The authority rests with Grand and subordinate lodge officers to conduct a program for subordinate lodge activities upon which to realize the greatest measure of service to which the Order can be applied.

In the last analysis, the state of the Order is remarkably splendid and is summed up on the following:

Never has it been in a more harmonious condition—not a breach anywhere, the largest membership ever attained in its history. An increase for 1919 that presages that we are on the onward march towards doubling our membership, even though it has not been reached during this administration. Forty-seven thousand one hundred and eighty net increase in a single year is a momentum that should carry the Order forward in strides gloriously acceptable to the entire Order. We are moving onward and upward. The rank and file of our membership are representative of the finest citizens in the land, and never has the enthusiasm been greater nor our assets better to introduce measures for the further



advancement of our Order, but whatever we do, we must avoid engagements of a speculative or spectacular nature. This, we believe, can be controlled by the Supreme Lodge in legislative enactments and the affairs of management placed in the hands of experienced and competent directors.

In many of the cities, lodges of the Order have already erected or purchased splendidly equipped buildings, the castle halls of which being excellently arranged for places of meeting and for the rank work of the Order with club room features attached. At Portland, Oregon, and Denver, Colorado, recent purchases have placed the Order in both of these municipalities in position to say that they stand on a par with other fraternities in the ownership of Pythian buildings. This is equally true in other localities in the Supreme Domain. The enterprise on the part of lodges is constantly increasing for building ownerships and centers for the assembly of the Brethren for social intercourse and club room advantages. This also is in line with the general progress of the Order.

We trust that the Supreme Lodge will be pleased with this brief recital of the condition in the Order which stirs our hearts with pride in the achievements made as a fraternity.

#### THE STATE OF THE ORDER IN OUTLYING DISTRICTS.

The Supreme Chancellor cannot report progress in the outlying districts. It was hailed with more or less delight when the Order was established in China, but this is now non-existent. A lodge was once instituted in London, England, but here, too, we failed to secure a permanent and sound footing. We fear that our outlying districts are too far removed from our central government to be directed or promoted in a satisfactory manner. We may be grateful, however, that the influence of Pythianism, even though to a limited degree, reaches into the far-off centers of civilization.

Saskatchewan, Hawaii and the Canal Zone, we believe, promise substantial growth and here the field can be developed with profit. What I shall report under the head of "Extension of the Order Overseas" applies to the outlying districts with the exception of the three districts above mentioned—the situation is identical.

We herewith present the condition of the Order in outlying districts in more detail:

Attention is directed to the fact that the charter of Juneau Lodge No. 1, Juneau, Alaska, was vacated on March 4, 1920. The District Deputy Supreme Chancellors appointed by me are also submitted. The following is a report of the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal to me showing the condition of the Order in the outlying districts:

#### DISTRICT DEPUTIES SUPREME CHANCELLOR.

*Alaska*—Nels J. Black, Cordova (for Cordova Lodge No. 3), appointed October 12, 1918. This is a strong, healthful and promising lodge, judging by latest official report received.

Ed. Andrews, Douglas (for Alaska Lodge No. 1, Juneau, and North Star Lodge No. 2, Douglas). These towns are located near together, but for the past three years have been in a weakened condition. The charter of No. 1 was vacated March 4, 1920. Lodge No. 2 suffered a serious loss of membership by removal, as a result of the tidal wave of a few years ago. S. K. R. S. is in correspondence with the Deputy in the matter of the future of the lodge. Present indications are that its charter will be vacated.

*Australia*—John B. Suttor, Jr., D. D. S. C., Sydney, appointed February 6, 1919 (for New South Wales Lodge No. 1, the only lodge in the district). Present membership, 60. Lodge in good condition, but during the war period, about one-half its members being in the service, but little activity was shown.

*Canal Zone*—T. W. Sherrard, D. D. S. C., Cristobal, appointed October 12, 1918 (for Panama Canal Lodge No. 1, Ancon, and Canal Zone Lodge No. 2, Cristobal). The two lodges have a combined membership of 304, and are in good condition.

*Hawaii*—William H. Smith, D. D. S. C., Hilo, appointed October 12, 1918, resigned May 24, 1920. On June 9, appointed Brother Herman Ludloff to fill vacancy. There are five lodges in this district with a combined total membership of 511. This has long been the premier outlying Pythian district, and the record of these lodges for good work, good repute and high standing is worthy of sincere commendation.

*Philippines*—Isaac A. Stanfield, D. D. S. C., Manila, appointed October 12, 1918. (for William McKinley Lodge No. 1). This lodge has a membership of 55, has been prompt and regular with its reports. The field for available membership is limited, but the lodge is in good condition, and doing well.

*Saskatchewan*—R. George McCuish, D. D. S. C., Regina, appointed October 12, 1918. There are practically ten lodges in this district, with a total membership of 722; three of the lodges have not reported for the term ending December 31, 1919. The province may apply for a grand lodge charter in the no distant future.

### EXTENSION OF THE ORDER OVERSEAS.

The entrance of thousands of Pythians into the war zone of Europe during the war brought to light, perhaps in a more pronounced way than heretofore, the question of Pythian expansion, and, in justice to the correspondents who communicated with the Supreme Chancellor, this important matter was investigated.

Roy C. Haines, a member of the Order of Maine, in the service of the Young Men's Christian Association; Dr. de Gerin, a resident of Paris, and said to be a member of the Order; Brother C. J. Cullington, a Secretary in the employ of the Young Men's Christian Association, and Past Chancellor F. Peyton Woolston of Colorado, also in the service of the Young Men's Christian Association, all being overseas, we expected accurate information could be obtained respecting the situation, upon which could be based the extension of the Order.

The purpose from the outset seemed to be directed to the institution of a lodge or lodges from among the soldiers, and through this instrumentality to make the Order effective in welfare service for the Pythians engaged in war activities. No substantial evidence was given that the institution of the Order in France or elsewhere overseas would mean the permanent establishment of Pythianism in the proposed areas, and indicated a situation paralleling other war promotions, the outgrowth of the enthusiasm, excitement and impulses of the war. It was sought under such conditions to unfold Pythianism overseas at a period the most inopportune which could possibly be selected.

The Supreme Lodge has had the matter of the extension of the Order overseas presented upon numerous occasions, and to my knowledge has never definitely determined upon a policy regarding this very important subject, and, in view of the indetermination of the Supreme Lodge, the Supreme Chancellor, feeling as he did about the European situation, decided to be governed very largely by what he felt was the sentiment of the Supreme Lodge. However, I received a number of letters in which my attention was directed to the advisability of extending the Order overseas, my correspondents feeling that the time had arrived for this movement on the part of the Order. Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal, Brother Wheaton, had already taken the matter up with Brother C. J. Cullington and Dr. de Gerin, and he and Past Supreme Chancellor Tracy R. Bangs felt and impressed upon me the desirability of proceeding energetically in the movement. I had no faith in the proposition from the outset, but determined to respond to the wishes of my correspondents, and proceeded in the manner disclosed by the correspondence which is incorporated as a part of my report on this subject. I did not wish to be placed in the position of treating with indifference the supposed opportunity for the extension of the Order overseas, or of refusing to respond to the requests of members of the Supreme Lodge. And, further, in connection with my persistence in procuring accurate information, I did not confine my investigation altogether to the members herein mentioned,

but had many opportunities for conference with members of the Order in overseas service, and who were in the United States on vacations, and in every instance the establishment of the Order overseas was discouraged during the period of the war.

The investigation disclosed that for more than any other reason the plan to institute a lodge in Paris was intended to carry forward welfare work, and since investigation had been made to determine whether there was a demand for welfare work overseas, and as the Supreme statutes governing the uses of the fund did not permit of this service, the uselessness of establishing a lodge to do this work was readily apparent, and in a letter received from Brother Cullington after he returned to the United States he declared emphatically that he would not recommend the institution of the Order overseas. The Supreme Chancellor believes that he has made the situation clear to the Supreme Lodge regarding the extension of the Order overseas during the war period. This leads us to the present.

North America presents such a vast field for Pythian extension yet unexplored, and, where explored, such tremendous opportunity for growth, that the Supreme Chancellor feels that we should direct our ability, energy and enthusiasm to safe moorings before we engage or divide our attention in sections of the world where under the most favorable auspices the establishment of the Order would be but experimental. Therefore, the opinion of the Supreme Chancellor is for the present no effort should be made to extend the Order overseas. However, the Supreme Lodge may decide to disagree with the Supreme Chancellor, and, if the Supreme Lodge shall favor the policy of extending the Order overseas, we believe if success awaits us at all in the undertaking, it can be accomplished only through the following process:

First, the Supreme Lodge to declare its policy by resolution and a commission to be elected by the Supreme Lodge or made appointive for the exclusive purpose of going overseas and commencing organization work to institute lodges, and then a sufficient number of members and lodges must be secured to organize a Grand lodge. We have illustrations in the present outlying districts that the Order does not succeed to any marked degree in the districts. If, however, the Supreme Lodge declares its policy in favor of overseas extension, then, in the judgment of the Supreme Chancellor, the Order should be promoted in England as the first point for our operations. The Supreme Chancellor recommends that the Supreme Lodge by resolution determine its policy as to whether or not the Order shall be established overseas, this to be, in fact, a direction for Supreme Chancellors to follow in the premises.

December 28, 1918.

HON. FRED E. WHEATON,  
*Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal, Knights of Pythias,*  
Minneapolis, Minnesota.

My Dear Fred:

Replying to your letter of December 23, the second paragraph of which being a reply to my request for such information as you may have or correspondence in your possession relating to the extension of the Order overseas.

In reviewing the minutes of the first regular meeting of the War Relief Commission, held in Chicago, the 28th and 29th of October, I observed on page 12 the reference in the record "Letter from Dr. de Gerin." This letter is in relation to the institution of a lodge in Paris. I am interested in knowing what the doctor has to say upon this important matter and cannot altogether recall the contents of his letter. You state that you have no correspondence relating to the subject of the extension of the Order overseas and further "the matter, of course, has been mentioned many times in the exchange of letters and it may be that ere long some action or some step may be taken by members of the Order now in England or France urging the formation and institution of lodges." And you state further "while there is no particular hurry about this matter, nevertheless I am of the opinion that no such favorable time ever was afforded for the official introduction of the Order in European countries and this I hope will be cultivated to every possible and reasonable extent."

Referring to your letter and the parts above quoted, I would be delighted if the members of the Order now overseas would take some action preliminary to establishing the Order overseas, subject, of course, to the review and consideration of the Supreme Chancellor and the counsel he would request. However, my judgment is the Supreme Lodge officers need not delay this matter awaiting the initiative to be taken by our members overseas, if upon further consideration it shall be determined to establish the order overseas.

Upon inquiry made from officers in the army just returning from overseas, I am informed that conditions are very much unsettled and this being more particularly true with respect to the American army, which, of course, is in the process of returning to America. This, in connection with more or less confusion, would indicate that formal action in connection with the subject matter of this letter must be delayed until we can take it up in a practical, systematic way, and reach conclusions as to what is best to do in the premises.

In the meantime, Fred, we should keep in touch with the situation and I will kindly request that you keep me advised of the contents of the communications that come to your office in relation to this important matter. Better still, I would be pleased to have the opportunity to read these communications.

I am seriously interested in the extension of the Order and desire to consider it from every angle to the end that if we institute lodges overseas that the Order will become permanently established in the localities where instituted. The permanency of it will depend very largely on the methods pursued and the character and standing of the men who are entrusted first with this very important undertaking of the Order of Knights of Pythias.

I write quite at length concerning the matter of the extension of the Order overseas for the reason that it gives us something to ponder over for fuller discussion when a conference is held to determine final action.

Sincerely and fraternally yours,

CHARLES S. DAVIS,  
Supreme Chancellor.

MINNEAPOLIS, December 30, 1918.

HON. CHARLES S. DAVIS,

*Supreme Chancellor, Knights of Pythias,*  
Denver, Colorado.

My Dear Charlie:

I am this morning in receipt of yours of December 28, and am glad indeed to note the great interest you are taking in the matter of the introduction of the Pythian Order overseas. Without the least bit of prejudice, let me say to you that, possibly with one exception, "Uncle Tom" Carling, you are about the first Supreme Chancellor who during his term of office has manifested any very great interest in Pythian expansion.

One of the finest expressions that has yet been made by any member of the Order was sent to you some time ago by Past Supreme Chancellor Bangs. He and I have talked this matter over many times, and I do not think that we three are very far apart in our views and the conviction that no better time ever was afforded to undertake work of this kind and the official introduction of the Order in European countries.

As regards the citation you make in the minutes of the War Relief Commission meeting, held in Chicago, October 28 and 29, you will recollect that I submitted and read a letter that I had received just a few days previous from Dr. de Gerin. I do not know him personally, but came into correspondence with him as a result of the work undertaken in France by Grand Chancellor Roy C. Haines. It seems that Dr. de Gerin is a Pythian and, as I understand the situation, acted as secretary at one or two meetings of Pythians in Paris, the meetings being called by Brother Haines.

In the letter submitted at Chicago he referred to his experience with Brother Haines, and concluded with the following expression: "When proper authorities are sent to open headquarters and lodge, they should bring copies of by-laws, diplomas, etc., so that we can have them translated here and start lawfully to work and then establish a permanent lodge in Paris, so that every Pythian coming will find some brother here to direct him and also help make his stay in Paris more pleasant and useful."

With reference to the above quotation, you understand, of course, that his letter, as well as practically all correspondence, largely had to do with the suggestion that headquarters be opened in Paris, but you well know that the Commission at no time felt disposed to undertake a work of this kind. I am of the impression that Dr. de Gerin became a Pythian in New Hampshire, but on this point am not sure. I enclose herewith a copy of my reply as sent to him shortly following our meeting of the Commission last October.

I join heartily in your expression that we will be delighted if members of the Order now overseas will take some action preliminary to establishing the Order there, subject, of course, to your consideration and approval, and I have long expected that this movement would be undertaken, particularly in England, and on the part of Canadian Knights in the service "over there." Before the United States entered the war, several Pythian meetings were held in England, but they were largely of a social and fraternal character, although at that time Past Chancellor James G. Baird



of Winnipeg wrote me concerning them, also stating that he believed that a good lodge could be organized. I received word from him in September last that he was coming home on a furlough and expected to pass through Minneapolis in October, but since that time I have not heard from him.

We have now, to my knowledge, one Past Grand Chancellor, and two Grand Chancellors in service with the Y. M. C. A. in France, each of whom have promised to send back some recommendations with reference to the official introduction of the Order in France. The two Grand Chancellors are: Fred G. Cook of Washington, and Carl B. Bach of North Dakota.

You also will observe that in my letter to Dr. de Gerin, I have asked him to call a meeting of such Knights of Pythias in Paris as may be available, for the purpose of taking up the matter of organizing a charter list. I feel quite confident that if this matter is given proper attention, it can be consummated, but it may be that before any positive work can be done in this direction, it will be necessary to take steps rather than to wait for the available opportunity to present itself to our representatives over there, all of whom, I presume, are busy with their own affairs.

You may rest assured that this office will be more than pleased to keep in touch with the situation and any information along this line will be promptly transmitted to you. This subject matter ought to be given special consideration at the next meeting of the War Relief Commission.

Cordially yours,

FRED E. WHEATON,  
S. K. R. S.

FEW-al

#### PYTHIAN OVERSEAS ASSOCIATION.

C. J. CULLINGTON, Secretary, 12 Rue d'Aguesseau.

PARIS, FRANCE, February 22, 1919.

Dear Sir:

The Masons and Oddfellows are organized over here but up to this time nothing has been done in line of work for the K. of P., although a Brother Jefferson and another brother attempted something in December, but nothing came of it. Aided by P. G. C. Cooley of State of Washington, I have begun work in Paris and have written to Bordeaux and Brest in regard to the work there, also to Coblenz, Germany. While I do not approve of the expenditure of much money here, would recommend a small sum be forwarded or that material for the establishment of a lodge in Paris be donated. If new members could be initiated here for a sum not to exceed the lowest fee, this fee to include their transfer to lodge in their home town on return, I believe many members would be gained.

There is no doubt that many Americans will become permanent residents in France and England and with a purely American Order here much progress would be made to make the Order international.

Would refer you to Geo. E. Howe, G. K. R. S., of Massachusetts. I was K. R. S. of King Philip No. 33 in 1896, Boston. Organized Red Cross No. 129 of Boston in 1897. Was for four years its representative to Grand Lodge. Was D. G. C. under G. C. White of Massachusetts. Organized King Philip, Red Cross, Eagle, Apollo, Mystic and Deane Winthrop into the Eastern Luffolt Pythian Association ten years ago and have been its Secretary since that time. Am still K. R. S. of Red Cross, being re-elected in December, 1918, although in service over here.

If same could be sent by American Express to me in Paris, would like set of rituals, set of installation books, jewels of officers with few members' jewels, pair of third rank properties, that is, test triangle, and could, I believe, get balance locally. If, after investigation (through Brother Howe or others in Boston) in regard to myself, you think I am capable of same, would like the position of D. S. C., but work must be done quickly or not at all as two valuable months have been wasted.

I am sending placards to various canteens in and around Paris, also to distant points where soldiers are located, and sending notices to Stars and Stripes, New York Herald Paris Edition, Daily Mail and Triangle, so that ample advertising will be done.

Yours in F., C. & B.,

C. J. CULLINGTON,  
Y. M. C. A. Secretary, A. E. F.  
12 Rue d'Aguesseau, Paris, France.

MR. C. J. CULLINGTON,

Y. M. C. A. Secretary, A. E. F.,  
12 Rue d'Aguesseau, Paris, France.

April 14, 1919.

Dear Sir and Brother:

Your letter of February 22, addressed to the Supreme Chancellor, care of United States, found its way into the hands of the Knights of Pythias Relief and Employment Bureau of New York, and was forwarded by them to me.

The subject matter of this letter is of great concern and interest in view of the fact that it deals with the institution of the Order in Europe, the first lodge of which is to be in Paris, France. I am sincerely grateful for the interest you are taking in this matter. The Supreme Chancellor would indeed prize the honor and distinction of recording during his administration the organization of the first lodge of the Order on the Continent of Europe.



However, we are seriously concerned in the future of the Order in Europe after it is once started, and believe this will depend entirely on the manner and methods pursued in its inauguration, and to that end I shall ask you to assist me and give me further satisfactory evidence for me to determine whether when the Order has once secured a foothold in Europe we can depend upon its being firmly established, and, further, that the Knights of Pythias will become one of the permanent fraternal societies at least in France where the first lodge will be instituted if final disclosures evidence a satisfactory condition to that end.

I have requested the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal, Brother Fred E. Wheaton, who has already advised me of your correspondence, to send you a petition for membership. Other instructions will also be furnished by Brother Wheaton.

I deem it best to exact a fee for the three ranks of the Order at a sum equal to \$15.00 in American money, to be paid to the lodge, which will give them a substantial fund for the development of the lodge and other necessary purposes. The charter list should contain the names of 100 men admissible to membership under the Supreme law, and whose occupations are such as are permitted under the law, and who otherwise possess the qualifications entirely necessary to substantially inaugurate an enterprise of the importance and magnitude of the Knights of Pythias in new territory.

I note your reference to the fact that the Masons and Oddfellows are organized "over here." Both of these fraternities have had a foothold in Europe for many years. Therefore their work is not experimental. Ours ought not to be, and will not be if our plans are so well laid now as to cause our great fraternity to become equally permanent, and so be recorded in the future history of the Knights of Pythias relating to our foreign operations.

In closing, Brother Cullington, permit me to say that I heartily thank you for the interest displayed, and we shall be glad to co-operate with you in this great work. You fully appreciate the Supreme Chancellor's desire to be careful in this matter. For your information I will say that at one time a lodge existed in London, and we have had a start in China, neither of which has been creditable to our Order, as they were apparently experimental and did not have the elements of permanency.

I shall give you every encouragement and support in this enterprise. If for any reason you should not be able to carry forward the movement, I ask you to so leave matters that we can continue the work through further investigation.

I observe with respect to the fee to be charged you make the following statement:

"If new members could be initiated here for a sum not to exceed the lowest fee, this fee to include their transfer to lodge in their home town on return, I believe many members would be gained."

In this connection, the charter list must contain a sufficient number of applicants who are sure to remain in France to carry on the work of the lodge and the development of the Order. Otherwise a situation may arise by reason of the newly made Knights returning to America that the new lodge would be so disorganized as to cause it to be a failure.

On receipt of this letter kindly place yourself in communication with me again at once, also communicating with our Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal on matters about which you wish to confer with him.

With my personal regards and wishing for your success, I remain

Sincerely and fraternally yours,

CHARLES S. DAVIS,  
Supreme Chancellor.

CSD-R

April 14, 1919.

HON. FRED E. WHEATON,  
S. K. R. and S., *Knights of Pythias*,  
Minneapolis, Minnesota.

My Dear Fred:

I have delayed in replying to your letter of March 31, the subject matter of which is the institution of a lodge in Paris and the deputizing of Brother C. J. Cullington, engaged as Y. M. C. A. Secretary in France, as Deputy Supreme Chancellor for the purpose of organizing and instituting the said lodge. I desired to think the matter over carefully and have now determined upon the following course:

I have communicated to Brother Cullington the information that he will receive from your office a petition for membership, also instructions as to how to proceed, and when he has secured the names of 100 petitioners for the ranks of Knighthood and the said petition is returned to your office and is found satisfactory to the Supreme Chancellor, we will then proceed in an orderly and substantial way to organize the Order in the Republic of France, the first lodge to be instituted in Paris.

I have advised Brother Cullington that the fee for the three ranks must be a sum equal to \$15.00 in American money, and be paid into the lodge after its organization.

You certainly must agree with me that the step to be taken is a very important one, and we cannot be governed by the wishes of Brother Cullington, who intimates that this transaction must be done hastily if it is to be done at all. We have had experience in China and elsewhere with respect to experimenting in instituting our Order. Perhaps this was true of the lodge that once existed in London. The future of the order in Europe and whether it shall remain permanent depends very

largely on the methods pursued in starting in on foreign soil. So far as I am concerned as Supreme Chancellor, if the Order is to be established in Europe, I want the records to show that it was done under proper auspices. In my letter to Brother Cullington I have stated, as I do to you, that while I would be very grateful for the distinguished honor of having the Order established in Europe during my administration, I am as deeply concerned about its future progress and development after it has been instituted, and whether it will be dependable for permanency. I am appreciative of the fact that the permanency of the Order on European soil will depend very much on the type and character of the men who will become members of the original lodge, and who will in turn become the leaders of the movement in Europe in the natural course of events.

The letter referred to as having been mailed by Brother Cullington to the Supreme Chancellor was addressed to the Supreme Chancellor, care of United States, and was delivered to the Relief and Employment Bureau Knights of Pythias of New York, and forwarded to me through that agency.

Sincerely and fraternally yours,

CHARLES S. DAVIS,  
Supreme Chancellor.

CSD-R

April 30, 1919.

HON. FRED E. WHEATON,  
S. K. R. and S., *Knights of Pythias*,  
Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Dear Brother Wheaton:

I have held for reply, until my return to Denver from the East, your letter of April 18, in which I found enclosed the several letters addressed to Brother C. J. Cullington now in France. As requested, I am returning these letters to you.

What will transpire in France with respect to the institution of a lodge in Paris and the inauguration of the Order on the Continent of Europe, will depend on future developments. The Order of Knights of Pythias occupies a place, in my estimation, far beyond any inclination to engage in its promotion in any part of the world of an experimental nature. Even though it may appear that conservative methods are being pursued, we may be making haste by going slow in this matter. My observation of the condition of the Order in outlying districts and the unsatisfactory growth following its establishment, causes me to ponder, with a determination to make a good beginning if we are to extend our Order on European soil at all. I believe the Supreme Lodge will commend conservative action.

Regarding the membership fees, I have made some inquiries from those who appear to understand money values in the countries of Europe, and learn that a sum equal to \$15.00 in the currency of the United States would be regarded as a substantial amount in France, and for that reason I fix the amount of \$15.00 as membership fees, and in addition to this require that at least 100 petitioners appear upon the petition for membership in the lodge, my reason for this being that, first, it will furnish a substantial assembly of men, of course, of the proper type, for publicity purposes in starting the lodge, and, secondly, a fund of at least \$1,500 for the use of the lodge in extending its work and procuring proper accommodations that go a long way in sustaining the Order and upholding its dignity.

I enclose a letter received this day from Brother Cullington. Kindly read it, take a copy of it if you wish, and return it for my files. Of course, we cannot agree to the fee he requests for membership, and I shall so advise him. It occurs to me that he is laying too much stress on promoting a lodge in Paris to procure the membership of the soldiers returning to America, and then take their membership in a lodge in the United States. There seems to be nothing in his letter that indicates clearly that we are to establish the Order of Knights of Pythias in France on a sound footing and from among the citizenship of that Republic who are going to be permanent residents. I shall draw his attention to this in my letter.

I am certainly pleased with the interest and enthusiasm displayed by Brother Cullington and others interested, and shall in no way discourage the movement, but expect to lay plans, insofar as I can, for permanency in the proposed enterprise.

Regarding his request for Pythian publications, etc., I believe you can take care of this to his satisfaction, and you can also comply with his request for a copy of the Pythian Directory for reference.

Fraternally yours,

CHARLES S. DAVIS,  
Supreme Chancellor.

CSD-R  
(Enc.)

MINNEAPOLIS, March 31, 1919.

HON. CHARLES S. DAVIS,  
Supreme Chancellor, *Knights of Pythias*,  
Denver, Colorado.

Dear Brother Davis:

I presume that you received a letter from Brother C. J. Cullington, Y. M. C. A. Secretary, Paris, France, advising you of the formation of what is known as the "Pythian Overseas Association" in that city, also the work he and others have been doing in getting in touch with many Pythians now scattered throughout European countries, and I take it also that if you have received Brother Cullington's letter, he formally mentioned the matter of establishing a lodge in Paris.

Some few days ago I received a letter from him, sent to me by Brother George Howe of Boston, and I am enclosing herewith a copy of same and also copy of my reply. I am this day in receipt of another letter from Brother Cullington, bearing date of March 8, copy herewith. I know that you will carefully read all of this correspondence and especially my own letter in reply to Brother Cullington.

I firmly believe that now is the opportune time to commence business in Paris, and I feel safe in saying and believing that Brother Cullington would be a good man to be appointed as Deputy Supreme Chancellor for the purpose of organizing and instituting a lodge in Paris. He certainly has had abundant experience and is well recommended by Brother Howe. If you think well of this and wish me to prepare and forward a commission to him, please so indicate. I will also send the necessary form of application that he may use in securing a charter list.

As regards supplies, such as will be needed to institute the lodge, these can be sent forward either at this time or immediately upon receipt of the petition, the latter, of course, being the regular way to handle work of this kind.

I have sent to Brother Cullington copies of *The Advocate*, Pythian Lodge Directory, booklets, and a set of service books for their use in holding a Pythian memorial in honor of our soldier dead. This they can do whether they have a lodge or not.

I also believe that some financial assistance should be extended at once to aid in this work. This need not be a very large amount, but I can conceive of no better way to appropriate from \$200 to \$500 from the Pythian Education fund or from the Emergency fund than to render practical service while we have such a splendid opening and golden opportunity.

There, of course, are many details in connection with forming a lodge, but these details as a rule very largely can be handled by this office, especially as regards forms, reports, supplies, etc. I would therefore urge that you take immediate action to encourage establishing the Order in Paris.

Give me your views as regards the minimum initiation fee.

It may be that you already have written to Brother Cullington. If not, I ask and urge that you do so and thus, as the chief executive of the Order, give to him and his associates every possible encouragement, with proper greeting to their overseas association.

You will observe that in his second letter he has been promised the assistance of Chief Secretary Carter. Beg also to advise that Mr. Carter has heretofore expressed a willingness to aid in this movement. We have quite a number of Pythians who are officially connected with the Y. M. C. A. work as secretaries or in some other capacity and we certainly can have no more advantageous help by splendid representative men than through their kind offices.

I shall await with much interest your reply and the consideration you will give to this very important matter. With kind regards,

Cordially and sincerely,

FRED E. WHEATON,  
S. K. R. S.

FEW-al

HON. CHARLES S. DAVIS,  
*Supreme Chancellor, Knights of Pythias.*  
Denver, Colorado.

MINNEAPOLIS, May 5, 1919.

My Dear Charlie:

Replying to yours of April 30, in which you write in connection with correspondence received from Brother C. J. Cullington in France, I acknowledge receipt of his letters which you return and which I will forward to him as per his request. I am also returning herewith letter you received from him. I have made a copy of this letter for future reference.

Your position in connection with the institution of a lodge in Paris and your ambition that in the inauguration of such a movement the introduction of the Order would be permanent, is just exactly what each and all desire and what the Order desires. It is very natural, however, that with a lodge established, quite a number of its original members and subsequent new members initiated will be soldiers who later would return home and, of course, transfer their membership to their home lodges. I sincerely hope that in the prosecution of this work, Brother Cullington will see to it that the lodge is largely composed of men who live in Paris or intend to become permanent residents. You will recall that in his previous letter he mentioned the fact that a great many American soldiers contemplated permanently remaining in that city and other parts of Europe.

I note your remarks with reference to the \$15 minimum membership fee, which is entirely agreeable, even though I suggested in my letter to Brother Cullington that they fix the fee at \$20. In his letter to you he referred at length to this particular phase of the matter, making the point that the Masons have fixed their fee at \$20. It may be reasonable to conclude that under all circumstances the \$15 fee should obtain, even though the actual minimum is fixed by Supreme law at \$10. We could not, of course, consider the suggestion of Brother Cullington as regards the \$5 fee. He also is anticipating an expense that may not occur, insofar as the cost of membership transfer is concerned by those who might desire to transfer upon their return home. I take it that you have written Brother Cullington on the point of minimum membership fee, as I observe that you state that you intend to do so.

I will look after his request for Pythian publications and will suggest to the various publishers that they send copies to him direct.

After reading what he says concerning the work being done by the Masons, Oddfellows and Moose, etc., I cannot help but feel that the Pythian Order has been somewhat remiss in not being more prominently and actively interested in doing similar work in Paris. However, this is a matter which was long since threshed out with the determination that we would not encourage or undertake financial maintenance of such headquarters.

Cordially and sincerely,

FEW-al

FRED E. WHEATON,  
S. K. R. S.

### INSURANCE DEPARTMENT.

The Supreme Chancellor, under the Supreme statute, is Chairman of the Board of Control of the Insurance Department. During the biennial term eight quarterly meetings have taken place and two special meetings, all of which the Supreme Chancellor has attended. Three days are usually occupied in conducting the business at quarterly meetings. This is also true of special meetings. In addition to this, the Supreme Chancellor has been Chairman of the Committee of Finance of the Board. Meetings of this Committee consumed three days. Eight meetings of this Committee were held during the biennial term. We have endeavored to keep thoroughly informed regarding the progress of the Department and engaged our services to its management.

We have had opportunity to view and review the operations of the Department in behalf of the membership of the Order from every angle. The Supreme Chancellor has served as a member of the Board of Control for twelve years, and during that period assisted in the adjustments and readjustments of this important department of the Order. Much time and personal sacrifice have been given to this work, but with it came experience valuable to the Insurance Department and to the Order. Therefore, we have become accustomed to making Pythianism a part of our life's work.

The report of the officers of the Insurance Department to the members of the Board of Control and the report of the Board of Control to the Supreme Lodge, of which the report of the President is made an exhibit, and from all of which the Supreme Lodge may procure complete data, statistics and historical information with respect to the Department, will be before the Supreme Lodge for review and consideration. The Supreme Chancellor, therefore, in referring to the Insurance Department, may preclude such information procurable from the reports mentioned. We cannot refrain, however, from bringing to the attention of the Supreme Lodge the magnificent progress of this important department of the Order, which can only give as a reason for its existence that it encourages and furnishes home protection for the household and dependents of our members.

The prime essential of a fraternal society must be the protection of the home. With its protection the state and the nation are made secure. When we measure the morale and stability of a municipality, a state or a nation, we commence our accounting from the homes and their environment.

We believe we have established in the foregoing statement the fact that life insurance, or "home protection," as we in the fraternity term it, is not altogether to be regarded as business, and as we have often heard the remark that "business and fraternity do not mix," we are here trying to distinguish the difference for the purpose of conveying to the Supreme Lodge the impression that life insurance deals with one of the greatest social economics the world has to meet.

Fraternal insurance can only be discussed basically when we understand that this nature of life insurance possesses all of the essentials



and intrinsically means home protection. This reasoning is carried to conclusion in a statement that the certificates issued by the Insurance Department cannot be hypothecated in a manner destroying the very purpose for which the insurance was issued, to-wit, to protect the home and dependents.

The Insurance Department occupies a position of responsibility and importance as a department of the Order, hence the legislation and discussion must be centered upon regulations for its progress, stability and permanency. The Supreme Lodge is to be congratulated in adopting well-established principles, plans and rates for the Insurance Department, which the experience of thirteen years has disclosed the wisdom thereof. Whatever may be the difficulties with which other fraternal insurance societies are confronted, the Insurance Department has passed this stage of its experimental career. In this statement I am pleased to accept the views of leading actuaries and of the Insurance Commissioners of all of the states in the United States and in the provinces of the Dominion of Canada, and in the latter case the Dominion Superintendent of Canada, with whom I have very recently had an opportunity to confer. With such endorsements, we feel that we can unhesitatingly refer to the Insurance Department in the manner stated.

In the matter of investments the Insurance Department is regulated by Supreme statutes, and this should always continue. The Supreme Lodge has expressed its confidence in the Board of Control to carry forward the management of the Insurance Department to the highest efficiency possible. The Board has been painstaking in the trust reposed in it. The responsibilities have been accepted because of the profound desire of serving certificate-holders in the Insurance Department and the membership of the Order. With due deference to the confidence reposed in the Board of Control, who are ever ready to respond to the direction of the Supreme Lodge, the Supreme Chancellor recommends that the Supreme Lodge shall continue its close attention to the affairs of the Insurance Department, to the end that the Board of Control shall have the benefit of the counsel and direction of the law-making body of the Order representative of the entire membership, who must feel a vital interest in the affairs of the Department in view of the fact of its relationship to the home protection of a large percentage of the rank and file of the Order.

The growth of the Insurance Department has corresponded in a measure to the increased membership of the Order. The Supreme Chancellor believes that the Insurance Department ought to serve a greater percentage of the membership of the Order. It is possible to do this without greatly increasing the overhead charge of conducting its business. The Supreme Lodge can and should state its position in this connection in passing a suitably prepared resolution declaring that every Domain in the Supreme Domain should be represented by the Insurance Department to the end that this branch of the Order shall be made accessible in a more extended degree to a still larger per cent of the membership. The important relation the Insurance Department bears to the membership in lessening suspensions for non-payment of dues must be considered as vital aside from the home protection referred to. Each subsequent year draws the Insurance Department closer to the Order. The Order itself shall always remain paramount in the affairs of Pythianism. This position belongs to the parent body and there has never been a thought or intention that the Insurance Department should supersede that which gave it life. The activities of the Insurance Department to procure business naturally accentuates its publicity, but we feel that through the co-operation given by the Supreme Lodge to the Insurance Department, the publicity referred to will reflect creditably to the interest of the Order.



The Insurance Department is the outgrowth of a desire on the part of the forefathers of Pythianism to serve the members of the Order in the growing demand and need for home protection. That it has fulfilled its mission cannot be denied. The financial statement, which is appended to this report, evidences that millions of dollars have found their way into the homes of the bereaved families and dependents of Brother Knights, who lean strongly, if not altogether, upon the benefactions of the Order which gave birth to the Department that it shall be dedicated to the cause of humanity. It is the duty of the Supreme Lodge to legislate and direct in such a manner as to bring and secure the largest degree of independency to the Pythian household. We are our brother's keeper and we fail in our obligations when we falter or hesitate in strengthening our designs to carry forward the efficiency of the Order of Knights of Pythias in a manner acceptable not alone to our own membership but to the world at large.

The Supreme Chancellor requests and urges that the Supreme Lodge shall continue its deep concern in the Insurance Department and shall exercise a supervisorship which shall incorporate the ideals of business management and security. While we confess our allegiance to fraternal doctrines, we are strongly confirmed to the belief that our success requires the application primarily of business principles and practical stewardship, which need in no way lessen the fraternal element existing in Fraternal Insurance.

The magnitude of the business of our Insurance Department is herewith briefly submitted for the consideration of the Supreme Lodge, and from it the Supreme Lodge will be convinced that it should give this Department full consideration.

The condition of the Department, June 30, 1920, shows membership, 79,010; insurance in force, \$105,692,015; ledger assets, \$11,462,369.56. The Department has been able to waive payments to the amount of \$2,477,259.23 since 1907. Since the organization of this branch of the Order 26,863 claims have been paid, amounting to \$47,517,291.19. The membership, insurance in force, and assets are constantly increasing and the other business incident to the conducting of the Department increasing correspondingly.

#### THE MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

The Supreme Chancellor recommends that this branch of the Order shall receive the earnest consideration of the Supreme Lodge. The entire membership is called upon to contribute to its maintenance through the per capita tax levied and collected. In other ways the Supreme Lodge has been called upon to provide funds to assist the Department. I feel that all of the assistance granted has been justified. Doubt has always rested in my mind as to whether the Supreme Lodge has extended its investigation far enough respecting the Military Department and its administration to correctly determine the status of the Department and the prospects for its future progress. It is not a difficult matter to levy a per capita tax upon the entire membership of the Order and collect it, nor does it cause distress to expend the fund after it is collected. In the interest of the Order and the Military Department, the Supreme Chancellor determined from the very outset of the administration to devote more than passing attention to the affairs of the Department. It was only to be expected that during the period of the war the activities of the Department would be dormant. Yet the companies, if properly organized, were in position to continue service and extend its operations in assisting the subordinate lodges. My efforts to realize on the proposed plan induced me to promulgate official communication No. 4 in November, 1918, which follows:

## SUPREME GOVERNMENT KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
Denver, Colorado.

CHARLES S. DAVIS,

*Supreme Chancellor.*

Official Communication Number 4, November, Nineteen Hundred Eighteen.

To All Captains of Companies, Military Department,

Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:

Greeting:

With the object of service to the Order in view, I take pleasure in communicating officially with the Captains of Companies of the Military Department of the Order of Knights of Pythias.

The war situation has naturally commanded and absorbed considerable of the interest normally displayed in civic-military organizations, the recovery of which is hardly to be expected until after the war. Pending this situation the intensified activities of the Military Department are required to be directed to subordinate lodge work.

I have the co-operation of Major General Loomis in requesting all Captains to engage their services and zeal as follows:

1. Engage the members of their respective Companies in a campaign to increase the membership of the subordinate lodges.

2. To take active interest and give collective and individual service to the subordinate lodge work, and in the ritualism of the Order.

3. In all programs of subordinate lodges for entertainment and instruction it shall be the duty of Companies collectively and the individual members thereof to take active interest and to give substantial aid to the success of the undertaking.

Companies can now demonstrate the power and influence of the Military Department by their intensified activities, displayed through the work of the Military Branch of our Order in substantially aiding subordinate lodges.

The subordinate lodge is the source from which the life and vitality of the Military Department is secured. The growth of subordinate lodges will furnish membership for the Companies of the Military Department. It is thus made clear that the service we are requesting is of two-fold importance, both being directly in the interest of the growth, prosperity and influence of the great Order of Knights of Pythias and the Military Department.

We must keep the home fires burning while our absent soldier Pythians are aiding and making the supreme sacrifice in winning the war for the cause of humanity. The object of the struggle is to fraternalize governments and the peoples of all of the nations of the world, as the Order of Knights of Pythias has fraternalized its membership into one mighty whole to the immortal principles of patriotism, friendship, charity and benevolence.

The request made in this communication should in no way lessen the ardor or enthusiasm for the Military Branch of the Order by Captains or members of the respective Companies. The Order of Knights of Pythias possesses a glory of achievement in all of its work and departments of endeavor that any man can distinguish himself in striving for.

Please communicate with me, declaring your pledge to comply with the request of Major General Loomis and your Commander-in-Chief.

Loyally and fraternally yours,

CHARLES S. DAVIS,

*Supreme Chancellor and Commander-in-Chief.*

I call attention to the last paragraph of the official communication, viz: "Please communicate with me declaring your pledge to comply with request of Major General Loomis and your Commander-in-Chief." The list of Captains of Companies furnished to me by Major General Loomis comprise 426 names. To each Captain the communication was sent and in response thereto 21 replies were received.

At the 1912 Convention of the Supreme Lodge, held at Denver, a resolution appearing in the proceedings of the Convention, as document 121, and which resolution was adopted, provided for the appointment of a Special Committee or Commission to investigate the Military Department looking to its development. The Committee was appointed, but the investigation proposed was not instigated and no report of the committee was made. From the record I find that the appointment of the Committee was repeated in 1914 and in 1916, and no investigation or report made.

In my determination for results with respect to the Military Department I appointed a Military Commission comprising the following members of the Supreme Lodge:

William G. Edens of Illinois, Chairman.

Chauncey M. Willey of Vermont.

Richard I. Warner of Wisconsin.

The term of Brother Willey having expired, as Supreme representative, I appointed Brother Charles J. Deckman of Ohio to fill the vacancy. The communication addressed to Supreme Representative Edens announcing his appointment sets out quite completely the manner of investigation to be pursued and the views of the Supreme Chancellor in the premises, and to which the attention of the members of the Supreme Lodge is directed. The Supreme Chancellor expected the report from the Commission in time to be included as an exhibit in his report concerning the Military Department. However, we are assured the report will be forthcoming in ample time for the consideration of the Supreme Lodge. The communication to Brother Edens is submitted:

DENVER, COLORADO, November 29, 1919.

MR. WILLIAM G. EDENS,  
c-o Central Trust Co.,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Brother Edens:

With respect to my appointment of the Military Commission, consisting of yourself as Chairman, Chauncey M. Willey of Vermont, and Richard I. Warner of Wisconsin, this Commission was appointed pursuant to Document 121 on page 286 of the Official Record of the Proceedings of the Supreme Lodge Convention of 1912, held at Denver, Colorado, which document was adopted by the Supreme Lodge, the object of same being to institute an investigation of the Military Department and to give consideration tending to the growth and development of this branch of the Order.

The Supreme Chancellor believes that the present Military Commission should carry to a conclusion the intention of the enactment by the Supreme Lodge, and to that end should carry forward the proposed investigation, and report to the Supreme Chancellor its findings for the use and benefit of the Supreme Lodge as well as for the information of the Supreme Chancellor.

The Supreme Chancellor believes that the present period is timely for such an investigation, to determine what, if anything, can be done for the development of the military branch of the Order. From personal observation on my official visitations over the Supreme Domain I note that in some sections of the Supreme Domain the Military Department is showing a decided awakening, while in others it is altogether dormant. The Supreme Lodge should be advised of the prospects of the Military Department for its future growth and development, all of which may be made the subject of investigation by the Commission.

I am communicating with Major General William H. Loomis, sending him a copy of this communication to this Commission, and requesting that he furnish the Commission with all the information he has at his command or shall be requested to furnish by the Commission. I am also sending a copy of this communication to Brothers Chauncey M. Willey and Richard I. Warner, your associates on the Commission.

It will be necessary that the report of the Commission be in my hands in ample time for my consideration and possibly for incorporation in the report of the Supreme Chancellor to the Supreme Lodge.

Fraternally yours,

CHARLES S. DAVIS,  
Supreme Chancellor.

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The Major General reports the condition of the Military Department as of December 31, 1919, to be as follows:

"The membership for the year 1919, as shown by the reports received up to date, is 13,453. For 1918 the membership was 12,609, to which should be added several hundred of Companies that had not reported at the time when the compilation was made. This would make a total of about 13,000, which shows a gain for the year 1919 of at least 450. In order that a true estimate of the present condition of the rank might be arrived at, I recently sent out return postal cards to all Companies, asking them to report the increase by initiation since January 1, 1920. Up to date I have received reports from something over one hundred Companies, which show a gain since January 1 of 661. A large number of other cards will come in which will doubtless swell this number to over 1,000. This is the most remarkable addition in membership during a corresponding period in the last five years, and will bring the total membership of the rank on July 1 up to at least 14,000. This work is going on all the time and, while the coming of the summer season will cause some abatement, yet the prospect in many Companies for next fall's campaign is most flattering. This condition is to be expected in view of

the great influx of members into the Order at large, as shown by your recent report and that of the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal."

Viewing retrospectively the history of the Military Departments, its work and activities for the Order are to be commended. The report of Major General Loomis gives evidence of substantial progress. In these days of reconstruction we are wont to analyze for the purpose of fixing new standards commensurate with the era in which we live and meet the greater demands for service. This is the thought I have in mind regarding the Military Department. In common with all enterprises the success of the Military Department is coupled with fixed objectives, purpose and energy.

Considering the remarkable growth of the Order and the added opportunities for the further success of the Military Department, the Supreme Lodge may, with propriety, and altogether in the interest of the Military Department, contemplate the discontinuance of the financial assistance now granted to the Department and ask that it be placed on a self-supporting basis, and thus awaken the membership in the Military Department to its own responsibility to support and maintain this branch of the Order.

The report of the Major General to the Supreme Chancellor and Commander-in-Chief and the Supreme Assembly, also his report to the Supreme Lodge, will be before the Supreme Lodge for review.

#### THE PYTHIAN SISTERS.

This auxiliary of the Order is keeping pace with the general growth of the Order of Knights of Pythias. I am pleased to convey to the Supreme Lodge the information gathered throughout my extended visitations over the Supreme Domain that wherever a Temple of the Sisters is co-operating with the subordinate lodges, there we find Pythianism developing to a remarkable degree. The women folks of the Order are quite eager to demonstrate how very potential they are if given an opportunity. I have addressed Grand Temples of the Pythian Sisters, also many of the subordinate temples, always on invitation of the respective bodies and always happy to respond.

During the war the Pythian Sisters gave untiring service and aided in every capacity to give evidence of its worth as an auxiliary of the Order. The Supreme Lodge will take occasion to give expression of its appreciation for the good office of the Pythian Sisters. From a communication recently received from the Supreme Chief, I am enabled to report to the Supreme Lodge the condition of the Pythian Sisters, as follows: "Number of new Temples, 347; number of subordinate Temples, 2,333. We have gained in membership 19,140. We have unfurled our banners over two Castle Halls in Ontario—the first in the history of our Order. We have \$40,000 in the general fund. Not so bad when you stop to consider that when I was installed into this office I shouldered a debt of \$5,000. As a whole, our Order is living up to our motto, 'Onward and Upward.' Again I want to thank you for your help in the past two years. I realize it has meant much to our Order."

The Order of the Pythian Sisters is entitled to the approval of the Order of Knights of Pythias. We share with them the responsibilities of fraternally exerting our influence in behalf of Pythianism and humanity.

#### DRAMATIC ORDER OF KNIGHTS OF KHORASSAN.

If the temperaments and inclinations of all men were identical, no place could be found for the Knights of Khorassan as an auxiliary of the Order. It is clearly manifest when we observe the growth and success of the Knights of Khorassan that even the membership in the



Order of the Knights of Pythias possess the differentials above stated. Therefore, the Dramatic Order of the Knights of Khorassan was wisely approved by the Supreme Lodge as an auxiliary of the Order.

Up to the close of the year 1918 the Khorassan had enjoyed a substantial and steady growth, but since that date it has been increasing along the lines proportionate to that of the parent Order. It is without doubt true that a constantly increasing number of Pythians are coming to recognize this social auxiliary is of continued and ever-growing helpfulness to the Pythian lodges located in territory where Temples of the Knights of Khorassan have been instituted.

This social auxiliary obtains in its ritualism high ideals and lessons to bring its relationship to the Order of Knights of Pythias to close identity in its operations, yet I cannot refrain from giving vent to the admonishment that the collateral activities of the Khorassan must be dignified and freed from eventualities that may not comport with the promotion of wholesome fellowship.

On January 1, 1919, we note a membership of 30,754, while the reports for January 1, 1920, show a total of 45,447. The additions for the first five months of 1920 nearly quadruple those of 1919 and argues forcibly in favor of the higher fee as a progressive measure. Since January 1, 1920, the minimum fee for membership in the Knights of Khorassan has been fixed by the Imperial Palace at \$25.00. Under the increased fee hundreds of Temples have enlarged their membership as high as 200 per cent. It is apparent that no mistake was made by the Supreme Lodge when it placed its seal of approval on the Dramatic Order of Knights of Khorassan at the Winnipeg Convention in 1914, and in view of the constant efforts of its officers and members to improve and build up, they are, at the same time, increasing their efficiency and helpfulness to the Knights of Pythias.

#### DEPARTMENTS AND AUXILIARIES.

The departments and auxiliaries of the Knights of Pythias attribute their connection with the Order through legislative enactment of the Supreme Lodge, consequently we are obliged to be observers of the now existing tendency for the promotion of fraternal societies or the adding of departments or auxiliaries to existing organizations. The Supreme Chancellor recommends that the Supreme Lodge take time by the forelock and during this Convention declare itself opposed to the promotion or institution of departments or auxiliaries to the departments and auxiliaries of the Order without the consent and approval of the Supreme Lodge. I believe this to be in the interest of harmonizing and co-ordinating the departments and auxiliaries of the Order.

#### THE WAR RELIEF FUND.

Since the adjournment of the Supreme Lodge Convention of 1918, four meetings of the Pythian War Relief Commission have been held: Detroit, Michigan, August 17, 1918; Chicago, October 28-29, 1918; Philadelphia, January 27-28, 1919, and New York City, April 19-20-21, 1920. The transactions of these meetings have been placed in the hands of the membership of the Order by the War Relief Commission in the publication and distribution of complete minutes of the meetings. The policies pursued and the administration of the fund required periodical meetings.

Under and by virtue of the Supreme statutes, the Supreme Chancellor appointed the following members of the Supreme Lodge to constitute the Pythian War Relief Commission: Thomas J. Carling, Tracy R. Bangs, John J. Brown and D. Sidney Woodworth, and the Supreme Keeper of

Records and Seal, the Supreme Vice Chancellor and the Supreme Chancellor, being, under the statutes, ex-officio members of the Commission.

I shall not relate the history of the inception and collection of this fund. The Supreme Lodge is fully advised of this phase of this very important subject. Suffice it to say, the unexpected happened. First, the cessation of war on November 11, 1918, less than 90 days after the adjournment of the 1918 Convention, and, second, the very meager demands for the use of the War Relief Fund for the purpose for which it was created, to-wit, for relief of the members of the Order in the service of the war and their families and dependents. Every demand for relief coming within the statutes has been promptly met, and at this writing, we have a sum of money on hand in excess of the principal amount contributed as shown in the statement for the period ending June 30, 1920:

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| Total receipts War Relief Fund.....                                                   | \$338,204.15 |
| Total interest earnings .....                                                         | 26,676.90    |
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| ANALYSIS.                                                                             |              |
| Total receipts from Grand and Subordinate Lodges,<br>D. O. K. K. and individuals..... | \$311,527.25 |
| Total expended for relief, etc.....                                                   | \$11,310.31  |
| Excess interest over disbursements.....                                               | 15,366.59    |
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|                                                                                       | 26,676.90    |
| Total receipts .....                                                                  | \$338,204.15 |
| Bonds, treasury notes, certificates of deposit and bank<br>deposit .....              | \$326,893.84 |
| Total net receipts shown above .....                                                  | 311,527.25   |
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| Total on hand in excess of receipts.....                                              | \$15,366.59  |

I call the attention of the Supreme Lodge that the investment and deposit account representing the War Relief Fund to June 30, 1920, is \$15,366.59 in excess of the total sum contributed, as shown in the above statement, this being due to interest earnings in excess of disbursements. The report of the Supreme Master of Exchequer or the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal will probably show the total expenditure for relief and other expenditures representing the total disbursement of \$11,310.31 shown in the above statement.

Probably the most important matter presented for the consideration of the Supreme Lodge at the Detroit Convention in 1918, were matters relating to the War Relief Fund and the enactment of legislation providing for this fund and the Pythian War Relief Commission and the assessments resolution against the Grand Lodges in the Supreme Domain. At the Minneapolis Convention, 1920, two years following the Detroit Convention, one of the most important matters before the Supreme Lodge will be to determine whether the War Relief Fund should be retained by the Supreme Lodge for the further use as outlined in the legislation of 1918, and the War Relief Commission continued, or whether the fund shall be redistributed to the donors in an orderly legal manner.

At the last and final meeting during the term of the Pythian War Relief Commission, held in New York in April of this year, the Commission, after lengthy consideration and discussion, came to the conclusion to recommend to the Supreme Lodge that the War Relief Fund should be held by the Supreme Lodge intact for the purpose of affording relief as contemplated by the statutes and that the administration of the funds be continued under the charge of a Pythian War Relief Commission.

"Honest confession is good for the soul," and while the Supreme Chancellor feels somewhat reluctant to do so, he must confess that he did not subscribe enthusiastically to the conclusions reached by the Pythian War Relief Commission that the War Relief Fund should be

held intact by the Supreme Lodge and continued under the charge of the Pythian War Relief Commission of the Supreme Lodge. The Supreme Chancellor argued that he felt the time had arrived for each Grand Domain to assume the responsibility and render War Relief as it may be needed in each respective Domain, and there held intact exclusively for War Relief as contemplated by the donors, until such time as the need for War Relief had become exhausted. That the funds should be redistributed in an orderly and legal manner, deducting therefrom the amounts expended by the Commission in each respective Domain for War Relief, and, further, that provision be made for an equitable charge against the distribution of the expense incurred in the administration of the fund.

The purpose, use and creation of the War Relief Fund is clearly defined, first, in the proclamation calling for voluntary contributions, and, second, in the Supreme statutes. The creation being specific, it cannot be used for any other purpose than that for which it was created without the consent and approval of the contributors.

My judgment is, if the fund is redistributed to the Domains, the Supreme Lodge should enact legislation requiring that the fund be held intact for War Relief purposes to the members of the Order in the service of the world's war and to their families and dependents until such time as the use of the fund for War Relief purposes has become exhausted, and, further, that the fund shall be administered by the Grand Lodge officers in the same manner the Supreme Lodge provided for the administration of the fund by and through the Pythian War Relief Commission.

If the Supreme Lodge should decide upon the redistribution of the fund, there are two very important equations to be considered, first, that portion of the fund that was voluntarily contributed, and, next, that which was received from Grand Lodges in obedience to the assessment resolution enacted by the Supreme Lodge. In the latter case, we have to deal with the Grand Lodges, and in the former with the lodges or individuals who made voluntary contributions to the fund in response to the proclamation of the Supreme Chancellor calling for such contributions, and in all cases, we have to acknowledge our moral and legal obligation to protect the respective interests. This subject must receive the serious and earnest consideration of the Supreme Lodge, and if it is determined to redistribute the fund, we must surround the distribution with ample protection to all concerned, and we feel if there are complications to be met, the Supreme Lodge will be equal to the emergency. If, however, the Supreme Lodge shall decide to approve the recommendations of the Pythian War Relief Commission, we are firmly assured that the fund will be administered, as it has in the past, in an efficient, careful and conservative manner, and in accord with the provisions of the legislation of the Supreme Lodge.

The creation of the War Relief Fund was an undertaking so patriotic, fraternal and creditable in the functioning of the benefactions of the Order of Knights of Pythias that I say unhesitatingly the influence of this altruistic enterprise has resulted in creating impressions upon the public as well as the members of the fraternity that has played its full part in the progress which we are now enjoying.

#### SUSPENSION OF THE WAR RELIEF ASSESSMENT.

The assessment of \$1.00 upon each member in the several Grand Domains levied by resolution adopted by the Supreme Lodge at the 1918 Convention and to be paid not later than September 1, 1919, was suspended by proclamation of the Supreme Chancellor with the consent and approval of the members of the Supreme Lodge. To this end the Supreme Chancellor caused a referendum to be made.

As has heretofore been stated, the Supreme Lodge Convention of 1918 was held during the most trying and frightful days of the war. The assessment was thought necessary. The future could not be prophesied. Provision had to be made for relief and the assessment resolution was unanimously adopted. The Supreme Lodge was governed by the situation as it then existed. When the war ended on November 11, 1918, we were confronted with an unexpected situation and relief matters were considered from an entirely different and new standpoint. The office of the Supreme Chancellor was besieged with correspondence remonstrating against the enforcement of the assessment. There did not appear to be urgent need to enforce the assessment considering the substantial sum of money then on hand for relief purposes. To have insisted upon the further collection of funds through the enforcement of the assessment would have placed an estoppel upon the splendid progress of the Order then ensuing. The Supreme Chancellor is profoundly grateful to the members of the Supreme Lodge for the approval of the suspension of the assessment.

In order that the record shall be complete with respect to this action, copies of the following official communications are presented:

#### SUPREME GOVERNMENT KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
Denver, Colorado.

CHARLES S. DAVIS,  
*Supreme Chancellor.*

March 12, 1919.

TO THE OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE SUPREME LODGE, KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS:  
Brothers:

You are kindly requested to read, with care, the enclosed statement of the Pythian War Relief Commission. I direct your attention to the recommendations therein contained for the suspension of the assessment and the referendum with respect to the War Relief Fund.

Please note the statement, "The Supreme Chancellor has already indicated the desirability of the referendum vote for the suspension of the assessment." I earnestly recommend the suspension of the assessment and herewith submit for your approval or disapproval the enclosed referendum.

Faithfully and fraternally yours,

CHARLES S. DAVIS,  
*Supreme Chancellor.*

Shall the Supreme Chancellor cause to be issued an order suspending the enforcement of the assessment against Grand Lodges, respectively, for the War Relief Fund (Chapter XIV, Supreme Statutes and Resolution thereto appended) until such time as demands for relief shall make it absolutely necessary that it shall again be reinstated?

Kindly give your approval or disapproval of the suspension of the assessment by placing an X after the word yes ( ) or no ( ) and return the referendum to the office of the Supreme Chancellor, without delay.

Domain of.....

#### SUPREME GOVERNMENT KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
Denver, Colorado.

CHARLES S. DAVIS,  
*Supreme Chancellor.*

#### IMPORTANT.

TO THE OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE SUPREME LODGE, KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS:

A statement from the Pythian War Relief Commission, with respect to war relief and the War Relief Fund, will be mailed to the members of the Supreme Lodge, War Relief Councils and others within the next few days. We request that you kindly give same your careful consideration:

Accompanying this statement, you will find a referendum submitted by the Supreme Chancellor to the members of the Supreme Lodge to secure the consent to and approval of the suspension of the assessment against Grand Lodges for war relief until such time as it is made apparent that the present fund will be found to be insufficient, or, in other words, until such time as the demands for relief shall grow to such an extent that it will be found absolutely necessary to again reinstate the assessment.

THE SUPREME CHANCELLOR HEARTILY APPROVES AND RECOMMENDS THE SUSPENSION OF THE ASSESSMENT.



I have visited fifteen Grand Domains officially at Grand Lodge or District Conventions. As many as four District Conventions have been held in most of the Domains visited. The correspondence has been voluminous. I have had extended and personal opportunity to observe the situation regarding the opposition and objections to the enforcement of the assessment.

The unrest over the Supreme Domain is decidedly apparent with respect to the unnecessary enforcement of the assessment against Grand Lodges and subordinate lodges in view of the fact that the war has closed and the Pythian War Relief Commission has at its command a handsome sum of money for war relief at the present time.

The Supreme Chancellor has had numerous appeals for the suspension of the assessment. The Supreme law or the resolution adopted by the Supreme Lodge at the 1918 Convention makes no provision for the exercise of the suspension of the assessment by either the Supreme Chancellor or the Pythian War Relief Commission. The referendum requests the approval or disapproval of the members of the Supreme Lodge of the suspension of the assessment, and, if approved, that the Supreme Chancellor be authorized to issue an order for the suspension of the assessment. It is very important in the interest of the Order that the members of the Supreme Lodge return the referendum without delay, indicating their approval or disapproval of the referendum submitted by the Supreme Chancellor.

Much fear is expressed over the Supreme Domain of the retarding effects upon the Order if the assessment is enforced.

Kindly act promptly in this important matter.

Sincerely and fraternally yours,

CHARLES S. DAVIS,  
Supreme Chancellor.

## SUPREME LODGE KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.

### EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

### PROCLAMATION AND ORDER.

#### REFERENDUM ON WAR RELIEF FUND ASSESSMENT

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE SUPREME LODGE, WAR RELIEF COUNCILS, AND  
GRAND LODGES:

Greeting:

The above referendum was submitted to the officers and members of the Supreme Lodge on March 10, 1919, and the returns received to this date disclose the following result:

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Total membership of the Supreme Lodge..... 163

Now, therefore, more than a majority of the members of the Supreme Lodge having expressed their consent to and approval of the suspension of the assessment resolution, the Supreme Chancellor hereby proclaims, and, in accordance therewith, issues this order—*Suspending the enforcement of the assessment resolution against Grand Lodges and subordinate lodges under immediate control for the War Relief Fund* (see chapter xiv, S. S. and the assessment resolution thereto appended, pp. 461-463, O. R. 1918), until such time as demands for relief shall make it necessary that said assessment resolution be reinstated.

The Supreme Chancellor possesses full faith in the general membership of the Order, and in Grand Lodges, to respond willingly to the reinstatement of the assessment resolution, should it be found that the War Relief Fund is not sufficient to meet the demands for relief of our members who have become disabled while engaged in war service, and for relief of the families and dependents of such members—as contemplated in the assessment resolution and the statutes relating thereto enacted by the Supreme Lodge at the Convention of 1918.

Be it known, That should it be found necessary to reinstate the assessment resolution, said resolution will be reinstated and its provisions fully enforced by the Supreme Chancellor. *We urge the continuance of procuring voluntary contributions to the War Relief Fund.*

SPECIAL ATTENTION is now directed to section 76e, chapter xiv, part i, division i, of the Supreme statutes, as follows:

76e. All moneys collected from any source for the War Relief Fund shall be *transmitted immediately* to the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal in the Domain in which contribution is made, and he shall, on the first day of each month, *transmit the same to the Supreme Master of Exchequer*, and at the same time submit to each member of the War Relief Council (of his Domain) a statement of the money, or moneys, sent to the Supreme Master of Exchequer, itemized as to the amounts and from whom received.

All moneys collected for the War Relief Fund, *now in the custody of subordinate lodges and Grand Lodges*, or hereafter collected, *must be transmitted immediately* in compliance with the above statute.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, attested by the great seal of the Supreme Lodge and the signature of the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal, this 25th day of April, 1919, P. P. LVI.

CHARLES S. DAVIS,  
*Supreme Chancellor.*

Attest:

FRED E. WHEATON,  
S. K. R. S.

### WAR RELIEF OVERSEAS.

During the latter part of August, 1918, I was informed by Mr. Frank C. Goudy, Grand Sire of Odd Fellows, also residing in Denver, that his Society and the Masonic Fraternity had agreed upon sending a Commission overseas to investigate the situation with respect to War Relief and Welfare Work among the members engaged in the war of their respective Societies. I felt that the attitude of the Order of Knights of Pythias with respect to its membership overseas should be announced. The Commissioners of the Societies named resided in Washington, D. C., and I immediately communicated with Supreme Representative Mark Stearman of the District of Columbia. A copy of this communication is herewith submitted and will furnish the Supreme Lodge with an index of the nature of investigation made by the Supreme Chancellor in connection with the overseas situation. Accurate information was also sought from other sources and the conclusion was reached that nothing of substantial value could be accomplished in expending any portion of the War Relief Fund in overseas operation. The Pythian War Relief Commission were not lacking in diligence in the same direction.

August 31, 1918.

MR. MARK STEARMAN, S. R.  
Columbian Building,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Brother Stearman:

Mr. Frank C. Goudy, Grand Sire of Oddfellows, the head of the order, with offices in Denver, informed me today that a Commission representing the Masonic fraternity and the Oddfellows, expects to sail for overseas in a few days to investigate the situation with respect to war relief and welfare work among the soldier members of their respective societies. Whether other fraternal societies will participate I have not been able to learn. The Knights of Pythias have not been requested to do so.

As Supreme Chancellor, I am deeply interested, and desire to be in close touch with all movements for war relief, but more particularly fraternal relief in connection with war activities. I am desirous of having the representatives that are going overseas advised, and I am sure they will be pleased to know, that the Order of Knights of Pythias, a kindred society, is now actively engaged in War Relief Work, and is intensely concerned in the welfare of its membership in war service overseas, and their families and dependents. Inquiry might be made of the Commission in relation to our activities, and the representatives will be in position to disclose that the Knights of Pythias have raised a fund for Pythian war relief to be applied as may be deemed to be for the best interest of our soldier Pythians, their families and dependents.

Mr. Goudy informs me that Dr. Hugh F. Stevenson, 157 H St. N.W., Washington, D. C., will represent the Oddfellows, and Mr. George F. Moore, the Grand Commander of the Scottish Rite Masons, for the Southern Jurisdiction, offices in Washington, will represent the Masons on this proposed overseas mission.

I am taking the liberty of communicating with you requesting that you call upon both of these gentlemen at your earliest convenience to learn the scope of the investigation to be made by the Commission, and whether other fraternal societies are to be represented.

Possibly the representatives will be interested to know, that the Pythian War Relief Commission, from investigation made thus far, have decided that there was no urgent demand for relief work among the membership overseas. That the work we might engage in was of uncertain nature, and likely to be in conflict, or duplicating the systematic, splendid, and specially trained activities of the Y. M. C. A., the Red Cross, and the Salvation Army. To all of these organizations the Knights of Pythias have subscribed as individuals, and the lodges collectively.

The investigations made by the Pythian War Relief Commission led to the belief that the most practical, helpful, and substantial relief that could be secured to our soldier membership, would be such relief as would be found necessary upon their return to the United States, or to their homes elsewhere, and to furnish relief to their families and dependents during their absence in the service of the Government, and upon their return if continued aid is found necessary. The casualty list

is certain to disclose the names of thousands of members of fraternal societies, and indicates very decidedly that relief work will be found urgent not alone during the continuance of the war, but many years thereafter. To conserve war relief funds for the use of helpful and practical measures of relief must be our deepest concern.

We acknowledge, however, if future developments presents a situation demanding relief among the Pythian soldiery overseas, proper investigation will be made, and the Order of Knights of Pythias will respond with service to its membership fully up to the traditions of relief extended by our Order in relief matters.

We desire to refrain from fruitless sentimentalism at the expense of war relief funds. Our fund must be sacredly conserved for the purpose of genuine relief in the broadest sense. Relief work and advertising fraternalism must be separately considered and applied.

As Supreme Chancellor, I am profoundly solicitous that the Order of Knights of Pythias shall not be found wanting in its service to the membership overseas, or at home, or their families, and dependents. I am keenly sensitive that it shall not be said that other fraternal societies are doing war relief work that we are failing to do. We are interested, however, in avoiding the necessity of engaging in overseas work because other societies are doing so, when in fact the demand or urgency for such relief does not exist. The latter phase of the situation is of great importance, thus my sincere concern in the investigation to be made by the representatives of the Masons and Odd Fellows in their overseas mission.

In this communication to you I am furnishing some side lights on the very important matter of fraternal relief for use in your conference. The extended discussion on this subject on the floor of the Supreme Lodge is also fresh on your mind.

General E. W. Bradford, 701 Washington Loan and Trust Building, Washington, a prominent Odd Fellow, and very close in the confidence of Grand Sire Goudy, is also much interested in this subject. It might be desirable if you called on him also.

Kindly advise me of the result of your conferences. I shall be interested in the report of the investigation, and trust I will receive a copy thereof in due time.

With my kindest personal regards, I remain

Sincerely and fraternally yours,

CHARLES S. DAVIS,  
Supreme Chancellor.

Brother Stearman responded to the request of the Supreme Chancellor and called upon the members of the Commission. In his conference the Commissioners stated that they were not authorized to expend any funds in behalf of their Societies in their mission overseas. Their going was altogether in the nature of an investigation. A copy of the report of the Commission when finally made was promised, and Brother Stearman made efforts to procure a copy of the report. As far as we are able to learn, no report of the Commission has been made. We understand, however, that the conclusion by the Commission was that the Societies which they represented could do nothing more than duplicate the service to their brothers that was already in operation overseas.

Under the heading "Extension of the Order Overseas" the subject of "Overseas Relief" has also been referred to.

In seeking information the purpose always was to locate opportunities for the application of the War Relief Fund to cases coming within the provisions of the Supreme statutes.

I received many letters from many sources regarding the fund, often with recommendations of an impractical nature or impossible to consider at all, in view of the nature of the recommendations.

#### RELIEF IN STORM-STRICKEN SECTION OF TEXAS.

During the month of September, 1919, the Gulf Coast of Texas was visited by a catastrophe destructive to life and property. The city of Corpus Christi was included in the flooded district and here the distress among Pythian Knights and their families called for immediate relief. In response to an appeal for aid from the Grand Chancellor of Texas and the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal and in behalf of the Supreme Lodge, I wired Brother Wheaton, the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal, to send Exchequer Order for \$1,000 to Brother Miller, the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal of Texas, for relief, and again in this

instance, the Order of Knights of Pythias has been permitted to demonstrate its desire to render relief, and when needed, to do so promptly.

For the further information of the Supreme Lodge, I am pleased to incorporate, as a part of my report on this subject, copies of the telegrams sent to Brother Miller, the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal, and Brother Wheaton, the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal. The Grand Chancellor and Grand Keeper of Records and Seal reported fully regarding the relief work performed by the Order. The correspondence is quite extended. The appreciation for the contribution made by the Supreme Lodge is expressed in letters received from the officers of the Grand Lodge of Texas, which are also made a part of this report.

#### GRAND LODGE KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS OF TEXAS.

OFFICE OF  
HENRY MILLER,  
*Grand Keeper of Records  
and Seal.*

WEATHERFORD, TEXAS, September 18, 1919.

HON. CHARLES S. DAVIS,  
*Supreme Chancellor,*  
Denver, Colorado.

My dear Brother Davis:

I take it for granted that you have noted in the daily press the terrible destruction wrought on our coast cities. A terrible hurricane and tidal wave visited the towns of Corpus Christi, Port Aransas, Aransas Pass and Rockport, and we have several hundred Knights located in these respective towns. On Tuesday night I received a telegram from our Grand Chancellor, who is a resident of Corpus Christi, requesting me to issue an appeal for aid, and I promptly complied with the request and sent out an appeal for aid to our subordinate lodges, as per copy herewith enclosed. As before stated, our Grand Chancellor, Brother R. H. Bingham, is a resident of Corpus Christi. He is a druggist, and his store and his dwelling were located in the low land, and I feel sure that his entire stock was demolished and his home seriously damaged. Many lives have been lost, and I find among the names some Knights, and I also note some Knights have lost their families, and in addition hundreds have lost their homes and all other worldly possessions. It may just be possible that we may have to call on you as Supreme Chancellor to issue a general appeal throughout the Supreme Domain to assist the sufferers. If you desire to communicate with Grand Chancellor Bingham, you can only do so by wire until train and mail service is restored. This morning I received a telegram from the Grand Chancellor asking me to take charge of affairs, as he has all he can do looking after his own affairs.

With best regards and all good wishes, I am

Yours sincerely and fraternally,

HENRY MILLER,  
G. K. R. S.

September 23, 1919.

MR. HENRY MILLER,  
*Grand Keeper of Records and Seal,*  
*Knights of Pythias,*  
Weatherford, Texas.

My dear Brother Miller:

Your letter of September 18th has just been received by me. I have noted the terrible destruction wrought on the coast of Texas by the hurricane and tidal wave. I also observe that the towns of Corpus Christi, Port Aransas, Aransas Pass and Rockport were severely damaged and several hundred persons lost their lives. I rather expected that some relief would be needed for Pythians in the different localities, and that an effort would be made by the Grand Chancellor of Texas to secure the needed relief through donations from the Lodges in the Domain of Texas.

I note your statement that it might just be possible that you may have to call on the Supreme Chancellor to issue a general appeal to assist the sufferers. As to whether this should be done would depend on the amount of relief that would be needed. As to this, perhaps, you will be able to give some estimate later on. For immediate purposes, no doubt, the Lodges in the Domain of Texas will respond generously. You can then determine if further relief is needed and to some extent the amount. I will then be governed accordingly. I trust, however, that you will find that the contributions arriving from the Lodges in Texas will fully cover all of the relief needed.

With my best regards and all good wishes, I remain

Sincerely and fraternally yours,

CHARLES S. DAVIS,  
*Supreme Chancellor.*



## GRAND LODGE KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS OF TEXAS.

OFFICE OF  
HENRY MILLER,  
*Grand Keeper of Records  
and Seal.*

WEATHERFORD, TEXAS, September 30, 1919.

HON. CHARLES S. DAVIS,  
*Supreme Chancellor,*  
Denver, Colorado.

My dear Brother Davis:

I received your kind letter a few days ago and forwarded same to Grand Chancellor Bingham for his information. I am under the impression, Brother Davis, that you do not realize the terrible havoc wrought on the Gulf Coast. Hundreds of our Brother Knights have lost their all, and hundreds of homes, together with all contents, clothing, etc., have been utterly destroyed. Relief is urgent. Our Texas Lodges are responding nobly to the appeal for aid issued from this office, the donations received up to date amounting to about \$4,000.00, but such an amount is wholly insufficient to extend the relief needed. Pardon me, therefore, in making the suggestion that you authorize an appropriation out of the Emergency Fund of the Supreme Lodge to help us out in our distress.

With best regards and all good wishes, I am

Yours sincerely and fraternally,

HENRY MILLER,  
G. K. R. S.

## WESTERN UNION—TELEGRAM.

HON. FRED E. WHEATON,  
*Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal,*  
*Knights of Pythias,*  
Minneapolis, Minnesota.

October 3, 1919.

Send exchequer order, amount One Thousand Dollars, to Brother Miller, Grand Keeper of Records and Seal of Texas, for relief of Pythians and their families in flooded district of Texas, contribution to be made from the Emergency Fund of the Supreme Lodge. In reply to my inquiry, Brother Miller reports great distress and appeals for relief from the Emergency Fund.

CHARLES S. DAVIS,  
*Supreme Chancellor.*

## WESTERN UNION—TELEGRAM.

MR. HENRY MILLER,  
*Grand Keeper of Records and Seal,*  
Weatherford, Texas.

October 3, 1919.

Your letter just received. Regret to learn of conditions in the flooded district of Texas. Have wired Brother Wheaton authorizing him to send you immediately One Thousand Dollars from the Emergency Fund of the Supreme Lodge to relieve distress among Pythians and their families, in response to your appeal for aid. Letter follows.

CHARLES S. DAVIS,  
*Supreme Chancellor.*

MR. HENRY MILLER,  
G. K. R. & S., *Knights of Pythias,*  
Weatherford, Texas.

October 4, 1919.

Dear Brother Miller:

Immediately upon receipt of your letter of September 30th, I sent a night letter to the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal, Brother Wheaton, authorizing him to issue an exchequer order for \$1,000.00 and send it to you, for the purpose of rendering needed assistance to the distressed Pythians and their families in the flooded district of Texas.

The sum of \$1,000.00 for the relief specified is appropriated from the Emergency Fund of the Supreme Lodge. In the event it should be found that the appropriation made is not needed, it is very likely that all of the appropriation, or the unused portion thereof, will be returned for reimbursement of the fund.

It was with much regret that I received the information contained in your letter with respect to the distress caused by the calamitous condition in Texas. We sincerely hope that further investigation will develop that our Brothers and their families have not been placed in such serious distress on account of the flood as is now apparent. My sympathy goes out to the people of Texas in the undeserved distress that has come upon them. Kindly keep me advised of the situation.

I also sent you a night letter advising you that I had wired Brother Wheaton to forward \$1,000.00 immediately. I enclose copies of both of the telegrams.

With my kindest personal regards and best wishes, I remain

Sincerely and fraternally yours,

CHARLES S. DAVIS,  
*Supreme Chancellor.*

MR. R. H. BINGHAM,  
G. C. Knights of Pythias,  
Corpus Christi, Texas.

October 4, 1919.

My dear Grand Chancellor:

Late yesterday afternoon I received a letter from Henry Miller, your Grand Keeper of Records and Seal, of date September 30th, in which he discloses that further investigation in the flooded district of Texas evidences that great distress exists and that relief is needed, at the same time requesting an appropriation from the Emergency Fund of the Supreme Lodge to render aid to Pythian Knights and their families.

I was grieved to learn of the situation, and acted promptly in wiring Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal, Brother Wheaton, to send immediately to Brother Miller an exchequer order for \$1,000.00 for the purpose of rendering assistance as indicated. I enclose copy of my letter to Brother Miller, which is self-explanatory, and which is also intended for your information concerning the appropriation made.

I truly hope that further investigation will evidence an improvement in conditions among the people in the flooded district, and more particularly among our Pythian Brothers and their families. Kindly keep me advised of the situation.

With my sincere regards and all good wishes, I am

Fraternally yours,

CHARLES S. DAVIS,  
Supreme Chancellor.

#### GRAND LODGE KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS OF TEXAS.

OFFICE OF  
HENRY MILLER,  
Grand Keeper of Records  
and Seal.

WEATHERFORD, TEXAS, October 7, 1919.

HON. CHARLES S. DAVIS,  
Supreme Chancellor,  
Denver, Colorado.

My dear Brother Davis:

I am in receipt of your good letter of October 4th, and am delighted that you authorized Brother Wheaton to issue an exchequer order for \$1,000.00 for the purpose of rendering needed assistance to the distressed Pythians and their families in the storm-stricken section of Texas, and I wish to express to you on behalf of the sufferers, as well as on behalf of the Grand Lodge, our most sincere thanks for your timely action and assistance.

The \$1,000.00 exchequer order reached me this morning through Brother Wheaton and will be forwarded to Grand Chancellor R. H. Bingham at Corpus Christi, who is in personal charge of the relief work in the storm-stricken district, and this amount will materially aid us in extending relief to our stricken brethren. Up to this writing the subordinate lodges of Texas, and including the \$250.00 donated by the Grand Lodge of Oregon, the total amount received amounts to \$4,692.15. Add to this the \$1,000.00 received from Brother Wheaton, makes a total of \$5,692.15, and I am perfectly sure that every cent of this will be needed to relieve the Pythian sufferers in the storm-stricken section of the Gulf Coast.

With best regards and all good wishes, I am

Yours sincerely and fraternally,

HENRY MILLER,  
G. K. R. S.

#### GRAND LODGE KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS OF TEXAS.

OFFICE OF  
R. H. BINGHAM,  
Grand Chancellor.

CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS, October 8, 1919.

HON. CHARLES S. DAVIS,  
Supreme Chancellor,  
Denver, Colorado.

My dear Brother Davis:

Answering your good favor of the 4th inst., will say from the very depth of my heart I wish to express to you, in the name of the distressed Pythians of the storm-stricken district of Texas, our thanks for your generous donation of \$1,000.00 for the relief of our dear Brothers who have lost their homes and all their earthly possessions.

Words utterly fail me to express conditions throughout the flood district. I am thankful to Almighty God that not a life was lost among our members, and so far as I know only one member lost any of his family. The storm and tidal wave that visited our beautiful and prosperous city on September 14th carried with it death and destruction. The number of dead will never be known, but will run from seven hundred to a thousand.

Many of our members lost their homes and all their earthly possessions, escaping with only the clothing they had on at the time, and some of them had their clothes torn from their bodies while riding rafts and drifts in the deep waters.

I immediately sent out an official appeal for the aid of our distressed brethren, which was liberally responded to by the big-hearted Pythians of Texas. Some relief was also sent by some of the Grand Domains of other States of their own free will and accord. I do not know from what States it came, or the amount sent, but Brother Miller has a record of the entire transaction.

Many of the Pythians in Rockport, a neighboring city, lost their homes and what they had. They, too, are being cared for out of this fund, as well as any of the Pythians who are in distress on account of these conditions.

Again thanking you, and assuring you of my hearty appreciation of your assistance at this time, with all good wishes, I am

Sincerely and fraternally yours,

R. H. BINGHAM,  
G. C.

#### GRAND LODGE KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS OF TEXAS.

OFFICE OF  
R. H. BINGHAM,  
Grand Chancellor.

CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS, November 6, 1919.

HON. CHARLES S. DAVIS,  
Supreme Chancellor,  
Denver, Colorado.

My dear Sir and Brother:

Answering your favor of October 21st, will say I appreciate very much the contents of your letter with reference to the relief of our distressed Brothers in this section, caused by the terrible storm and flood that visited our beautiful city and surrounding country on September 14th.

From the very depths of my heart I wish to thank you, and through you the Supreme Lodge, for your donation of \$1,000.00 for this cause. This, together with money received from the subordinate lodges throughout the State of Texas, and a few amounts sent in from other Grand Domains, has very materially relieved the distressing situation among our members. While I have not been able to give anyone very much, the amount given has been sufficient to relieve their immediate needs. We have not undertaken to re-establish any man in business, neither do they expect or ask it, but the relief given them has been thankfully received and kept many of them from appealing for relief to the Red Cross and other organizations for assistance. I feel the assistance given has been a big advertisement, in a quiet way, for the Order of Knights of Pythias. You can hear it spoken of almost every day, and quite a number are seeking admission to our Order on account of the action taken in extending relief to our destitute Brothers.

I have been exceedingly busy since the storm, looking after the distressed Brothers, not only here but in all the surrounding country, and have not been able to give the attention to the general work of the Grand Domain as I had hoped to, but I am again at work urging every member to act, and I am thankful to say that I am receiving hearty support from many of the Lodges and believe we will show a healthy gain for this semi-annual term.

I wish you could have seen the expression on the faces of many of our Brothers when handed relief, and see the tears of gratitude fall from their cheeks when they received it, remarking, "God bless the Knights of Pythias."

Following a request in your official circular letter, I am urging this Grand Domain to grow active in building up our Order, and feel their efforts will be crowned with success.

With all good wishes, I am

Sincerely and fraternally yours,

R. H. BINGHAM,  
G. C.

Remember the slogan, "*Do Your Pythian Duty.*"

#### THE KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS AND LIVING COSTS.

During the early part of August, 1919, the Government, the people and the press became seriously aroused at the climbing cost of living. The situation reached a point unparalleled in the history of our country. The Government appeared slow in turning on the searchlight of investigation. The economic poise of the country was threatened. When such an impending situation presents itself, the principles of the Order of Knights of Pythias demand that the voice of our fraternity shall be heard, and having the honor of representing the Order as its Executive, I sent the following telegram to the President of the United States:

HON. WOODROW WILSON,  
President United States,  
Washington, D. C.

DENVER, COLORADO, August 5, 1919.

The Government of the United States demonstrated its mighty power in mobilizing the greatest army ever assembled to wage battle against autocracy and militarism. Our patriots gave unfaltering evidence of valor and purpose and suc-

ceeded in rendering gigantic service for the cause of liberty and righteousness. The Government of the United States commandeered America's resources to assure victory for the cause of her Allies and America. In the interest of the people the Government of the United States invoked its authority and power in fixing prices during the war to thwart the avarice of the profiteer. The war ended in a glorious victory. Shall we now have the peace that should be ours as a just reward for the sacrifices made? The Government of the United States must again invoke the strong arm of its authority and take immediate and if necessary drastic steps to bring relief in the matter of the high cost of living. The economic poise of our country is threatened. We are confronted with a national crisis unless the Government acts promptly. The Order of Knights of Pythias pledged to the Government its man power and all its resources to aid in winning the war. The Order of Knights of Pythias again exhibited its patriotism and loyalty and pledged to the Government its man power and all its resources to aid in the after-war readjustments and reconstruction. The Order of Knights of Pythias represents no class. It represents humanity, and in the interest of humanity the Supreme Chancellor, speaking for the Order and in behalf of all the people, urges upon the President of this great republic to cause to be made of first importance a thorough investigation of the impending economic situation within the borders of our own country and insist upon the stern application of remedies that must be applied to relieve the situation fraught with danger and calculated to disturb if not destroy the fruits of our own victory. Those engaged in promoting selfish ends by exploiting the people must be brought to account. The nation must not be permitted to suffer at the hands of the exploiter of the nation's peace, prosperity and happiness. Immediate action is imperative. The Government must act.

CHARLES S. DAVIS,  
*Supreme Chancellor of the Order of Knights of Pythias.*

The Order was honored with a prompt acknowledgment of the telegram from the President by his Secretary:

#### THE WHITE HOUSE.

WASHINGTON, August 8, 1919.

My dear Mr. Davis:

The President has asked me to acknowledge the receipt of your telegram of August 5th, and to say that every possible endeavor is being made to act wisely and efficiently.

Sincerely yours,

[Signed] J. P. TUMULTY,  
*Secretary to the President.*

MR. CHARLES S. DAVIS,  
*Supreme Chancellor,  
Knights of Pythias,  
Denver, Colorado.*

The Supreme Chancellor desired that the attitude of the Order should be generally known, and the above telegram was given to the Associated and United Press, and through this source publicity given throughout the country.

A copy of the telegram to the President was transmitted to Congressman Clarence MacGregor of New York, the Supreme Representative from that Domain, who on Wednesday, August 13, 1919, addressed the House of Representatives, his subject being the telegram of the Supreme Chancellor to the President with respect to the economic condition of our country. I am pleased to introduce into this report for permanent record the magnificent address of our distinguished Brother, in which the telegram of the Supreme Chancellor was read to Congress, all of which appears in the Congressional Record of the Sixty-sixth Congress, First Session:

#### CONGRESSIONAL RECORD. SIXTY-SIXTH CONGRESS, FIRST SESSION.

*Knights of Pythias.*

SPEECH OF HON. CLARENCE MACGREGOR, OF NEW YORK, IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
Wednesday, August 13, 1919.

*Mr. MacGregor.* Mr. Speaker—

*The Speaker.* For what purpose does the gentleman rise?

*Mr. MacGregor.* I would like to ask unanimous consent to address the House for two minutes if I may do so.

*The Speaker.* The gentleman from New York asks unanimous consent to address the House for two minutes. Is there objection? [After a pause.] The Chair hears none.



*Mr. MacGregor.* Mr. Speaker, many Members of this House are members of the Order of Knights of Pythias and will, I feel sure, be interested in a copy of a telegram which I have just received, addressed by the Supreme Chancellor of the Order to the President of the United States, upon the vital question now confronting us on the high cost of living.

In this country of ours, without castes and classes, we have no special groups to exert influence or unite in opposition or support of measures that come before us for consideration, apart from our party political organizations and occasional sporadic groupings of selfish interests with the single aim of furthering the special scheme in which they may be temporarily concerned. The instinct for organization, for acting with friends and comrades, is an old, old human instinct, and in this country it has been the motive power that brought into being the various organizations known as fraternal organizations and to some one of which nearly every adult American belongs. It is a source of gratification to reflect that in every crisis through which the country has passed the fraternal organizations have been ever on the side of righteousness, of civic integrity, and the maintenance of the highest American ideals, and as we have depended on them to throw their mighty potentialities into the scale on the side of justice and liberty in the past, so today they are a bulwark of strength for all that is true and enduring in American idealism to rest upon; a mighty force for the inculcation and preservation of the liberty, fraternity, and equality upon which our form of government is founded and an impregnable Gibraltar against the surging waves of Bolshevism, social disorder, and anarchy that threaten to destroy civilization itself in every country in the world.

The Order of Knights of Pythias had its birth in this city, the Capital of the Nation, February 19, 1864. It was born from a desire to heal the wounds of the Civil War and restore the spirit of friendship between our people. It was an American institution, born under our flag.

The spirit that was the cause of its birth found response in the hearts of thousands of men—North, South, East, and West—and from the little band of 13 men in 1864 there has grown a great organization of practically 750,000 men.

The principles of its organization—friendship, charity, and benevolence—have appealed to all, and the sun now never sets upon its lodges.

It has played an important part in American history. It has been a source of strength to our Nation in time of peace and in time of war. It has brought men closer together. It has made them less selfish. It has contributed to good citizenship. It has been true to the home and domestic relations. It has protected and cared for the widow and the fatherless. It has always been true to the flag of our country.

In this land and others it cares for those who are sick or in distress. Its homes for the orphan, the aged, and the helpless are its brilliant jewels in almost every State of the Union.

*The Speaker.* The time of the gentleman has expired.

*Mr. MacGregor.* May I proceed for one minute more?

*The Speaker.* The gentleman from New York asks unanimous consent to proceed for one minute more. Is there objection?

There was no objection.

*Mr. MacGregor.* In times of war it has sent to the front thousands of its members, and in the recent war was active and energetic in all its activities tending toward victory and toward caring for the desires and needs of those who fought as well as those loved ones left behind by our fighting boys at the front. [Applause.]

It has always been keenly alive to the great questions confronting our Nation, and as an evidence of its interest in the present problems and desire to share in their solution, with the permission of the House, I will insert in the *Record* a telegram recently sent by the Supreme Chancellor, Hon. Charles S. Davis, of Colorado, to the President of the United States. [Applause.]

## OTHER RELATIONS WITH THE GOVERNMENT.

In acknowledgment of the standing and influence of the Knights of Pythias, communications were received by the Supreme Chancellor from the following departments of the Government at Washington:

Department of the Interior, Bureau of Education.  
The Treasury Department, Savings Division.  
The War Loan Organization, Savings Division.  
National Conference of Community Organizations.  
United States Food Administration.  
Federal Board for Vocational Education.  
The War Department.

The Supreme Chancellor responded promptly to the calls made. The requests did not entail any aggressive steps on the part of the Order. It indicated, however, that the Order of Knights of Pythias was at the command of the Government.

We have here to acknowledge our appreciation for the splendid service rendered by Mr. H. Allen Nye, District Vocational Officer, at Denver. This officer, on request of the Supreme Chancellor, interested himself in the case of Brother Horace J. Dale of Mississippi, bringing promptly to the attention of the Sixth Division of Mississippi the need for immediate action in the case of Brother Dale, who applied for Vocational Education. This Brother was injured in France. The case came under the notice of the Pythian War Relief Commission. This case was handled in a creditable manner by the Government. The correspondence is voluminous and subject to the review of the Supreme Lodge.

## DECREE OF CATHOLIC CHURCH AGAINST THE ORDER OF KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.

I submit for the consideration of the Supreme Lodge interesting correspondence regarding the subject properly set forth in the above heading. I do not apprehend that the Supreme Lodge will differ from the views expressed in my reply. The subject is an important one, and I trust the Supreme Lodge will approve of the attitude assumed by me.

ROBERT Y. HUBBARD, D. G. C.

NINETEENTH DISTRICT

TANNERSVILLE, N. Y., October 9, 1919.

CHARLES S. DAVIS,

*Supreme Chancellor, Knights of Pythias,*  
Denver, Colorado.

My dear Supreme Chancellor:

I am herewith enclosing copies of correspondence addressed to Supreme Vice Chancellor William Ladew, with copy letter to Archbishop Hayes and his reply thereto attached, to all of which I earnestly ask your attention.

Having carefully gone over the enclosed matter, may I have your comment and suggestions?

Under all the circumstances, one cannot help but feel that the question at hand is one of such moment as to merit serious attention and, if possible, an early remedy.

Faithfully and fraternally yours, in F., C. & B.,

R. Y. HUBBARD, M. D.,  
*Deputy Grand Chancellor,*  
19th District, State of New York.

[COPY.]

WILLIAM LADEW,

*Supreme Vice Chancellor, Knights of Pythias,*  
769 First Avenue,  
New York City.

October 9, 1920.

My dear Supreme Vice Chancellor:

I desire respectfully to direct your attention to the curtailment in the fields of highly desirable candidates. The inhibition or ban of the Roman Catholic Church existing respecting the Order of Knights of Pythias is a very serious impediment and places a limitation upon its growth, its usefulness and its social and material influence. Although I have personally been a Knight of Pythias for only ten years, yet it is my deep impression that every possible effort should be made to bring about a reconciliation between the Roman Catholic Church and our Order. With respect to members alone, it would make available a large field of useful, valuable and influential men of all stations in life.

The present estrangement between this Church and the Pythian Order very seriously affects the development of many of the Lodges with which I have come in contact and many of the Lodges have been unable to confer ranks and their development is at a standstill, having exhausted the field.

It is my understanding that for a period of ten years a harmonious relationship existed with the Church, and I wish you would inform me fully just what the difficulty seems to be and what may be done to remedy it. If a modification of the Ritual or any other change will bring about the desired result, I most earnestly enlist your enthusiastic interest to achieve this end, which will mean more to Pythianism in America than anything which has happened since the birth of the Order.

I am enclosing a copy of a letter to Archbishop Hayes and his reply thereto on the subject. May I have your comment? As one of many, I consider the matter important to the future of Pythianism in this country and therefore am eager to learn what, if anything, can be done.

Faithfully and fraternally yours, in F., C. & B.,

ROBERT Y. HUBBARD,  
*Deputy Grand Chancellor,*  
19th District, State of New York.

[COPY.]

April 12, 1919.

MOST REVEREND PATRICK J. HAYES,  
*Archbishop of New York,*  
 New York, N. Y.

My dear Archbishop:

I most respectfully ask your advice concerning the ban of the Roman Catholic Church against membership in the Order of Knights of Pythias.

I am unable to understand the difficulty or to learn with definite exactness the objections of the Church to this fraternal organization, or the reasons which caused the Church to place this fraternity upon the list of prohibited organizations.

Will you be good enough, please, to write me just what the situation is, what may be done to remedy it, and how the matter may be brought up for consideration by the Church?

Respectfully,

ROBERT Y. HUBBARD,  
*Deputy Grand Chancellor,*  
 19th District, State of New York.

[COPY.]

July 22, 1919.

MR. ROBERT Y. HUBBARD, D. G. C.,  
*Deputy Grand Chancellor, 19th District,*  
 Tannersville, N. Y.

My dear Sir:

I owe you an apology for my long delay in replying to your letter of inquiry, under date of April 13, 1919, concerning the attitude of the Catholic Church and the Knights of Pythias. I beg to assure you that no discourtesy was intended, but my time was so taken up with diocesan matters that necessitated my traveling and being away from home, that mail needing my personal attention had to suffer.

The Catholic Church placed the Order of the Knights of Pythias among Forbidden Societies by a decree of August 20, 1894. There is a difference between a forbidden society and a condemned one in Church law. The Masonic fraternities are in the condemned class because the Catholic Church regards Freemasonry as a distinct religion with its own tenets denying the supernatural order and with a cult and ceremonial in harmony with its religious tenets. Therefore, a Catholic is not free to remain a Catholic and be a Freemason, because one is absolutely opposed to the other.

The reason why the Knights of Pythias has been placed in the forbidden or prohibited class is because according to its own official organ it is itself akin to Freemasonry, imposes absolute secrecy on its members, and uses a quasi-religious ceremonial.

It also appears that before the Church placed the Knights of Pythias in the class of prohibited societies, an effort was made on the part of the ecclesiastical authorities, with guarantees of respecting confidence, etc., for permission to read and know the constitution, the ceremonial and the purposes of the Society. I understand that this was refused by the Supreme Officers of the Knights of Pythias and there was nothing left for the Catholic Church to do but to place a prohibition against members of the Catholic Church becoming members of the Order of Knights of Pythias.

With regard to the reconsideration you referred to, it seems to me that the Supreme authorities might address a letter to His Eminence Cardinal Gibbons, who knows the whole history very thoroughly, as he presided at the Third Plenary Council of Baltimore when the general subject of Prohibited Societies was discussed.

Very truly yours,

[Signed] PATRICK J. HAYES,  
*Archbishop of New York.*

October 21, 1919.

R. Y. HUBBARD, M. D.,  
*Deputy Grand Chancellor,*  
 19th District, State of New York.

Dear Sir and Brother:

I am pleased to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of October 9th, with enclosures, to-wit, a copy of a letter addressed by you to the Most Reverend Patrick J. Hayes, Archbishop of New York, and a copy of his reply thereto, also the copy of your letter to Supreme Vice Chancellor Wm. Ladew of New York. I have read your letter with care and consideration, as well as the copies of the letters enclosed.

The Order of Knights of Pythias is declared to be non-sectarian and non-political. The declaration that our Order is non-sectarian should have been a guarantee to the ecclesiastical authorities of the Catholic Church that our doctrines do not incorporate a distinct religion. If a broad view of the principles of the Order of Knights of Pythias had been accepted by the ecclesiastical authorities of the Catholic Church, the Church would not have placed the Order of Knights of Pythias among the forbidden societies by the decree of August 20, 1894.

The purposes of the Order of Knights of Pythias, the declaration of principles and the constitution are open to the perusal of the public. As Supreme Chancellor, I heartily approve of the action of the Supreme officers of the Knights of Pythias in refusing to disclose to the ecclesiastical authorities of the Catholic Church the ceremonial of our Order and the secret work associated therewith. I feel quite sure that I express the position of the Supreme authorities of the Order of Knights of Pythias in stating that we shall not request the ecclesiastical authorities of the Catholic Church to remove the ban placed upon the Order of Knights of Pythias. Whenever the Catholic Church is willing to rescind its own action of its own free will and accord, then and then only, in my judgment, will our Order be removed from under the ban of forbidden societies as described in the letter from Archbishop Patrick J. Hayes of New York.

Sincerely and fraternally yours,

CHARLES S. DAVIS,  
Supreme Chancellor.

## IN RE SUPREME TABERNACLE ILLUSTRIOUS ORDER KNIGHTS OF THE CROSS.

My attention was called to a bill introduced on February 7, 1920, in the House of Representatives by Mr. Focht, recorded as H. R. 12790, "A Bill to Incorporate the Supreme Tabernacle Illustrious Order Knights of the Cross." Brother Aaron B. Hess and seven others are named as the incorporators. The purpose of the Bill was to procure a charter for this Society to carry on a fraternity as described in the Bill, which is in usual form except in the twelfth line of Section 5 thereof the words "Pythianism is progressive in its character, and that the members thereof strive toward the mark of the high calling which is perfection."

From information received, I learn that membership in the proposed Society would be limited to members of the Order of Knights of Pythias and the Knights of Khorassan in good standing. Many protests were received. En route to Manitoba I had the opportunity to spend a few hours in Minneapolis on April 29, and there held a conference with Brother Wheaton, the result of which was the official promulgation of the following communication to the membership of the Order:

### SUPREME LODGE KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.

OFFICE OF  
THE SUPREME KEEPER OF RECORDS AND SEAL.

MINNEAPOLIS, May 5, 1920.

#### *To Whom It May Concern:*

WHEREAS, the attention of the executive officers of the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias, namely: Charles S. Davis, of Denver, Colorado, Supreme Chancellor, and Fred E. Wheaton, of Minneapolis, Minnesota, Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal, has been called to the Bill now pending in the Sixty-sixth Congress, known as H. R. 12,790, entitled "A Bill to Incorporate the Supreme Tabernacle Illustrious Order Knights of the Cross"; and

WHEREAS, this Bill is held to be, in the judgment of the foregoing named executive officers of the Supreme Lodge, inimical to the interests of the Order of Knights of Pythias, which Order was incorporated by Act of Congress and approved by the President, June 29, 1894, said Act being amended and approved by the President, June 7, 1900; and

WHEREAS, said Bill (H. R. 12,790) expressly states that the purpose of the proposed corporation is "the carrying into effect the idea that *Pythianism* is progressive in its character," and in other respects and features not only is designed to seek its membership within the Order of Knights of Pythias, but plainly uses words, language and expressions that are clearly derivative of the name, title and meaning of the Knights of Pythias; now, therefore,

1. The executive officers of the Supreme Lodge, acting for and in behalf of the combined membership of the Order of Knights of Pythias, are opposed to the institution of an organization that is designed for Pythians only, and which seeks in any wise and in any manner to use the name or title of this Order, or any derivative thereof, in any corporation where same might be regarded as a higher rank, or branch, of the Order of Knights of Pythias.
2. We here request that all parties at interest in this matter, especially members of the Pythian Order who are zealous in their allegiance and membership, take every honorable means to prevent the passage by Congress of the objectionable Bill known as H. R. 12,790.

CHARLES S. DAVIS,  
Supreme Chancellor, Knights of Pythias.

Attest:  
FRED E. WHEATON,  
S. K. R. S.



From Minneapolis I sent the following letter to Brother Hess, who, apparently, was the instigator of the new Society. Through the influence brought to bear on members of Congress, it is quite certain that the Bill, if not already killed, will meet this fate.

April 29, 1920.

Mr. A. B. Hess,  
c/o The Wolf Company,  
Chambersburg, Pa.

Dear Sir and Brother:

The Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal, Brother Fred E. Wheaton, has permitted me to read your letter of April 15th, in which you set out as fully as you can the purpose of the fraternal society you propose to institute and which shall be confined to members of the Order of Knights of Pythias, and, further, which you and those interested are attempting at this time to procure therefor a charter from the Federal Government.

In connection with this matter, I desire to state to you, as Supreme Chancellor, that we are unalterably opposed to the institution of an organization for Pythians only and which is to be regarded as a higher rank or branch of this Order. We feel that the functioning proposed through this proposed society can be amply and completely carried forward within the Order of Knights of Pythias, if it is necessary that this should be done to more efficiently complete our benefactions to our membership and those connected with our members. The Order of Knights of Pythias is quite capable of undertaking any project in behalf of our membership, whether it be educational or otherwise.

From your letter, I am assuming that the reason for the establishment of the new society is to give you and others opportunity to carry forward fraternalism to a greater degree through the membership in the Order of Knights of Pythias. Your ambition and zeal are to be commended, but we believe it can be more properly applied to the parent and present organization, a society fully equipped with manpower and resources to perform its full mission as a fraternal society. I think you will agree with me that the Order of Knights of Pythias may with propriety be regarded as just such a fraternal society.

Let us concentrate ourselves and have firm objectives, and apply ourselves to our work. We do not need additional fraternities—in fact, the market is loaded down with them now at all prices for initiation, and it is becoming a business with some people to start societies for personal gain. The tenor of your letter would clearly indicate that such is not your purpose. Therefore, we shall have no trouble in agreeing that this society should not be started and, further, that the Bill presented in the House should be killed, and to this end we will do all that we possibly can.

Brother Wheaton will reply to your letter, but we are in full accord in our views respecting this matter.

Fraternally yours,

CHARLES S. DAVIS,  
*Supreme Chancellor.*

### INFRINGEMENTS ON OUR COPYRIGHTS.

During December, 1919, the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal, Brother Wheaton, called my attention to numerous complaints with reference to the sale of alleged official lapel buttons by unauthorized persons, and that he had several other buttons sent to his office, which, while not exactly the same size as our official button, are very similar in their general appearance. Brother Wheaton also enclosed correspondence from St. Johns, New Brunswick, and from Texas on the subject, and furnished the name of the firm of Irons & Russell Company of Providence, R. I., manufacturers of emblems, as parties making the buttons. Brother Wheaton recommended that immediate steps be taken to protect the interest of the Order. First, it was necessary to establish the facts in the case, whereupon I addressed the following letter to the Irons & Russell Company, the reply thereto being also attached:

January 3, 1920.

MESSRS. IRONS & RUSSELL,  
Providence, Rhode Island.  
Gentlemen:

It has been brought to my notice that you are making and selling jewels and lapel buttons bearing the insignia of the Order of Knights of Pythias. I desire to officially notify you that the Supreme Lodge of the Order of Knights of Pythias has copyrighted all its official emblems, which include the jewels and lapel buttons, and that you have no authority from the proper officers of the Supreme Lodge to manufacture or sell any of the copyrighted emblems or jewels of the Order of Knights of Pythias. The Order of Knights of Pythias proposes to protect itself in its rights concerning the manufacture and sale of the articles hereinabove stated.

In order that no injustice be done to your firm, we are communicating with you direct concerning this important matter, and will ask you to reply, stating whether or not the information received at this office is true, and what your attitude is in the premises. I shall look for an immediate reply to this letter.

Very truly yours,

CHARLES S. DAVIS,  
*Supreme Chancellor.*

IRONS & RUSSELL COMPANY.  
MANUFACTURERS OF EMBLEMS.

95 Chestnut Street,  
PROVIDENCE, R. I., January 9, 1920.

CHARLES S. DAVIS,  
*Supreme Chancellor,*  
*Supreme Government Knights of Pythias,*  
Denver, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

We are in receipt of your letter of the 30th regarding Knights of Pythias emblems. We have been making K. of P. emblems of all kinds for the last fifty years and we still manufacture a large line of these goods. However, to the best of our knowledge, we do not make or advertise to make any of the so-called official emblems to which you refer.

Very truly yours,

IRONS & RUSSELL CO.,  
Per E. W. MACALLISTER.

The reply from the Irons & Russell Company is a frank admission that they have been making and are now making Knights of Pythias emblems of all kinds. Whether the emblems they manufacture are infringements on our copyrights may be made a matter of investigation, and, if found to be true, action should be taken to prevent the infringements. I believe this investigation and subsequent action, if found necessary, should first be predicated through the authority given by the Supreme Lodge. Such an initial proceeding would carry with it greater weight upon which the Supreme Lodge officers can act.

In this report I have referred only to the firm of Irons & Russell Company. If an investigation is ordered and action taken, it should also be extended to all persons and firms infringing on our copyrights and letters patent.

#### INDIAN BLOOD AND MEMBERSHIP.

The opinion of the Supreme Chancellor has been requested as to whether the application of a man could be received who states his father was a full-blooded Indian and his mother of the Caucasian race. The answer was given "No." Our statutes fix the qualification for membership, to-wit, he must be a white male. Therefore, every applicant for membership in the Order of Knights of Pythias must be pure Caucasian.

In every Domain in the Supreme Domain, we find from the statistics given, that the population of Indians ranged from 36 in West Virginia to 119,101 in Oklahoma. This report is for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1919, and records the population of pure-blooded Indians at 232,196 of the Five Civilized Tribes, including Freed Men and intermarried with whites, 101,506. These combined make a total of 333,702. Of the 84,992 children eligible for school instruction, it is reported 60,889 school children are in attendance. We are advised that there exist among the Indians patriotic, intelligent, well-educated and honorable men. During my official visitations in the Domains where Indians reside in large numbers, I have been approached on the subject of the possibility of the Supreme Lodge enacting legislation providing for the admission of Indians into the Order. I believe this matter is of sufficient importance for the Supreme Lodge at this time to take it into consideration for the purpose of determining whether we shall extend the privileges of membership in the Order to Indians of full blood or the variable degrees removed from full-blooded Indians. Members of the Supreme Lodge, who repre-

sent Domains in which Indians live in large numbers, are sure to have a comprehensive knowledge of the situation with respect to this important subject.

### THE AUTHORS OF OUR RITUAL.

Each generation gathers into the membership of the Order those who become engrossed in our ritual and whose study thereof reflects itself in their very life and surroundings. We are constantly referring to our ritual, its sublime teachings, its idealism, and its practicability in the affairs of life. In almost every other noteworthy undertaking, we can learn, without difficulty, who the author or authors were.

Time has almost obscured the history of our ritual and our members have been permitted to become silenced as to whom we shall attribute the making of our ritual and to whom we owe our appreciation for this book placed in the keeping of the Order, and from which we are to learn the great principles and precepts in guiding our membership to deeds of friendship, charity and benevolence.

The inquiry is constantly made, "Who wrote the ritual of the Order of Knights of Pythias?" For the information, at least, of the newer generations now in the Order, it should now again be recorded who the authors of our ritual were, and to accomplish this, I am pleased to include in this report the names of the members of the Supreme Lodge who were appointed on the Committee on "Revision of the Ritual" at the Supreme Lodge Convention held in 1890 at Milwaukee, Wisconsin, and which committee made its final report at the 1892 Convention, held at Kansas City, Missouri.

The Special Committee on the Revision of the Ritual appointed were:

D. F. GLIDDEN, Michigan, *Chairman*.  
W. B. RICHIE, Ohio.  
R. L. C. WHITE, *Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal*.  
W. A. RADCLIFFE, Missouri.  
E. E. FRENCH, Nebraska.

To this Committee the Order is deeply indebted for our present ritual. All the members of this Committee have passed to the Great Beyond, except the Chairman, D. F. Glidden, Past Supreme Representative, who now resides in San Diego, California, and with whom the Supreme Chancellor had the opportunity very recently of meeting and conferring, with deep interest, with regard to the history of the Order in the days of his activities in the Supreme Lodge. To those who collaborated in the preparation of the ritual, and are with us no more, we shall ever cherish their memories, and we feel a deep gratitude for the services performed. Brother Glidden is still with us, active as of yore in the Pythian vineyard, and his recital of the portions assigned to and written by each member of the committee, of the preparation, demonstration and final adoption of the ritual effervesces with study, interest and learning. May the life of this splendid Pythian be spared to us for many years to come. From Carlyle we quote:

"One of the God-like things of this world is the veneration done to human worth by the hearts of men."

In the record of proceedings of the Convention, held in 1892, we find the following:

"*Resolved*, That the sincere thanks of the Supreme Lodge are hereby extended to the members of the Committee on Revision of the Ritual for the more than satisfactory and excellent results of their labors."

### 50-YEAR VETERAN JEWEL.

Within the ranks of the Order are members who have been continuously so for a period of fifty years and over. There are not a large number of these pioneers. The Supreme Chancellor has had the privilege of meeting and shaking hands with a number of them. Proud as they are of wearing the jewel that indicates the duration of membership of twenty-five years, the greater pride and enthusiasm of these members requires that the Supreme Lodge enact legislation providing for a fifty-year veteran jewel for the use of the membership who have qualified under the term.

In the vanguard of appreciation for half-century service to the Order, we find that Denver Lodge No. 41 of Denver, Colorado, on October 16, 1919, presented to Norton Nelson, a member of the Lodge, and of the Order, for a period of over fifty years, a fifty-year veteran jewel.

The design of this jewel is very beautiful and quite in harmony with its purpose. However, the Supreme Lodge has not yet authorized officially the manufacture or the use of a fifty-year veteran jewel.

The Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal, Brother Wheaton, I am informed, on request of Aetolia Lodge No. 24 of Akron, Ohio, for a fifty-year veteran jewel to be presented to one of its members, designed, or caused to be designed, such a jewel, which was presented to Brother Taggart on May 4, 1920. The design of this jewel is also very beautiful and quite in harmony with its purpose, and here again it must be said the Supreme Lodge has not yet authorized officially the manufacture or use of a fifty-year veteran jewel.

Division VI, Part II, Chapter 1 of the Supreme Statutes is devoted entirely to the subject "Jewels" and we assume that before either of the jewels presented can be classed as having received official sanction, the Supreme Lodge will first have to enact legislation permitting the manufacture and use of a 50-year veteran jewel, and we should determine which of the two jewels now being used, if either is acceptable, should be declared to be the official design.

### PYTHIAN CATECHISM.

We have not yet been able to discover that this book and the law governing its use have been generally accepted. We are not prepared to contend that a catechism was necessary to fully prepare and educate an applicant to the realism of Pythian teachings and tenets. The lectures and obligations of our ritual, or parts thereof, afford ample substance for the advancing member to commit to memory and for examination as a sound basis for membership in the Order. This view is frequently expressed throughout the Supreme Domain.

The teachings "of the three ranks" is contained in the one book, which is given to the candidate after he has received the Page Rank. This at once furnishes the page with the work of the Catechism in the Three Ranks. Rather an unusual proceeding in a fraternal society and provides the candidate with information in the succeeding ranks, to which he is not entitled. I would recommend that after the present stock of catechisms has been sold, all future editions be printed in a manner separating the ranks, and, further, that the candidate be given that portion of the catechism that represents the rank in which he is to be examined for advancement.

### OFFICIAL PROMULGATION OF THE CIPHER RITUAL.

At the Thirtieth regular Convention of the Supreme Lodge, held in Detroit in 1918, legislation was passed authorizing and directing the preparation, approval and promulgation of a cipher ritual. The Supreme Chancellor, being also directed to appoint two members of the Supreme



Lodge, who, with the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal, were authorized and directed to prepare the cipher ritual for the use of subordinate lodge members, who have attained the rank of Knight, and when prepared shall be approved by the Supreme Chancellor and the Supreme Vice-Chancellor, and, further, that the rules and regulations governing the care, custody and control of such cipher ritual by those entitled to have and receive the same, shall be prepared and issued by the Supreme Chancellor. We wish to report that the directions of the Supreme Lodge have been carefully carried out and the cipher rituals prepared, printed and promulgated according to the Supreme Statutes.

The Committee on Cipher Ritual is the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal and Supreme Representatives Harold C. Brunt of Oklahoma, and James W. Hunter of Iowa, the latter appointed by the Supreme Chancellor.

The rules and regulations promulgated by the Supreme Chancellor by direction of the Supreme Lodge are herewith submitted:

#### SUPREME LODGE KNIGHTS' OF PYTHIAS.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

#### OFFICIAL PROMULGATION OF THE CIPHER RITUAL.

*To All Grand and Subordinate Lodges:*

##### RULES AND REGULATIONS.

RULE 1. The cipher ritual shall be at all times under the direct control and supervision of the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal, who shall issue them to Grand Lodges and subordinate lodges under immediate control in the same manner and with the same conditions as obtain in issuing the ritual of the subordinate lodge.

RULE 2. Each Grand Keeper of Records and Seal will issue to subordinate lodges in his respective Domain as many copies of the cipher ritual as each Lodge may desire, not exceeding twenty copies to any one Lodge, for the "use" of members who have attained the rank of Knight. Additional copies may be issued from time to time to replace such as may have been lost or destroyed, upon receipt of certificate from the Keeper of Records and Seal of the Lodge requesting such additional copies, certifying to such loss or destruction.

RULE 3. Cipher rituals which, under the provisions of law and these rules and regulations, may be received by any subordinate lodge, shall at all times be and remain in the official custody and under the control of the Chancellor Commander. No copy of the cipher ritual can be sold or given to any person, as the individual property of such person. When not in "use," as provided in Rule 4, the cipher ritual shall be kept by the Chancellor Commander securely locked in a proper receptacle, in the same manner as is provided for the care and custody of the ritual of the subordinate lodge.

RULE 4. The cipher ritual being for "use" by subordinate lodge members, the Chancellor Commander is authorized to deliver to any member of the Lodge a copy of said ritual, for the purpose of study, and the ritual so delivered may be taken from the lodge room and retained by the member for such time as he may desire, or until he is directed to return the ritual to the Lodge. It shall be the duty of the Chancellor Commander to keep a record of all rituals so delivered to members of the Lodge, together with the name and address of the member, or members, to whom the ritual has been loaned.

RULE 5. The Chancellor Commander is authorized to demand the return to the Lodge of any copy, or copies, of the cipher ritual, loaned to members of the Lodge for the purpose of study. At the installation of officers for a new term, the outgoing Chancellor Commander shall deliver to the installing officer all copies of the cipher ritual in his official custody, and the incoming Chancellor Commander shall issue receipt therefor.

RULE 6. No member of a subordinate lodge who shall receive a cipher ritual, as provided in Rule 4, shall deliver or loan same to any person, nor shall he at any time or place make any written, printed, or photographic copy of any part or portion of said cipher ritual.

In this promulgation of rules and regulations governing the care and custody of the cipher ritual, there is no intention to make such restrictions either a hardship or an inconvenience. It is desired that utmost freedom shall be accorded members of the Order to "use" the ritual for the purpose of careful study, this privilege being at all times available—but it must be understood and appreciated that a publication of the character of the cipher ritual necessarily requires the careful observance of fixed regulations to assure their proper control, use and custody.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name and caused the great seal of the Supreme Lodge to be affixed and attested by the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal, this 28th day of May, 1919, P. P. LVI.

Attest:

FRED E. WHEATON,  
S. K. R. S.

CHARLES S. DAVIS,  
Supreme Chancellor.

## RECOMMENDATIONS WITH RESPECT TO PRINTED RITUALS.

The Order of Knights of Pythias is expanding and advancing. In its progress we must discard the old and inefficient methods to be substituted in the adoption of and putting into use every instrument in alignment with our progress. The introduction of the Cipher Ritual could have only one meaning or intent and that was in due course of time it should take the place of the printed ritual, and we have now reached the period when the Supreme Lodge should declare itself absolutely opposed to the use of the printed ritual in the Order of the Knights of Pythias for subordinate Lodge work. Also, that qualifications to hold an office in a subordinate lodge shall include that the officer must commit his respective work to memory and in this manner render our ritualism in an efficient and impressive way.

I earnestly recommend the repeal of all laws pertaining to the use of printed subordinate lodge rituals to become effective June 30, 1921, after which, under proper regulation to be prescribed by the Supreme Chancellor and Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal, all printed subordinate lodge rituals to be recalled and destroyed.

## INCREASED MINIMUM MEMBERSHIP FEE.

Many Grand Domains have already increased the minimum fee for membership to \$25.00. Hundreds of lodges throughout the Supreme Domain have increased the initiation fee to \$25.00 or more without regard to Grand Lodge legislation. We know of very prosperous lodges that are charging \$50.00 for membership. We must accept as a striking example of the advisability of the Supreme Lodge increasing the minimum fee for membership the result obtained by the Knights of Khorassan. The minimum fee of \$25.00 in this auxiliary of the Order became effective January 1, 1920, and for the first five months of this year the growth of this Order nearly quadrupled that of 1919. This certainly argues forcibly in favor of a higher fee as a progressive measure.

We are living in an age of higher levels. We do not believe we shall return to pre-war levels in the near future. We must match our incomes with present demands. We are asking for greater efficiency in Lodge Room work and environment. We intend to extend our Order into channels more deliberately attuned to Pythian exploitation and principles. The new era in the world's work calls for new standards, all of which must be met. We are not divided in enthusiasm and zeal for a greater Pythianism. We shall not be influenced to retain an altogether disproportionate fee for membership for the value received in Pythianism by the plea or argument that we must meet the competition of other fraternities and the fee they charge.

The Order of Knights of Pythias shall make its own standards and be rated according to its own merit. The time has arrived when we should increase our minimum fee for membership in the Order of Knights of Pythias and the Supreme Chancellor unhesitatingly recommends the enactment of legislation fixing the minimum fee at \$25.00.

## FIVE MILLION-DOLLAR CONSTRUCTION AND ENDOWMENT FUND.

The Supreme Lodge shall have during this Convention the opportunity to determine whether the time has arrived for the initial proceedings to be commenced for the extension of the Order in the erection and maintenance of homes, hospitals or other institutions for the relief and care of members of the Order and their families to the end that this nature of benefaction shall become nationalized and at the same time the interests of the respective domains involved in the ownership, care and maintenance

of institutions already established by the domains shall also be considered. The subject is not a new one to the Supreme Lodge. The members have had the advantage of calmly surveying the situation and reach conclusions unattended with emotionalism or speculation.

We are now enjoying the greatest progress and prosperity ever experienced in the Order, which enables us to consider the advisability of inaugurating extensions in the work of our fraternity. The subject is being debated throughout the Supreme Domain, which is evident from the observations made that nearly, if not all, the Grand Lodges have made provision for a fund designated as "Widows and Orphans Fund," or "Home Fund," or under other captions, and nine domains have already established homes and institutions in behalf of their membership.

The Supreme Chancellor anticipates that the membership throughout the Supreme Domain will respond heartily to the call of the Supreme Lodge and contribute the funds to erect and maintain such institutions as may be needed and acknowledge with gratitude the opportunity to extend the benefactions of the Order.

The collections must be distributed over a period of years and we have suggested eight years, and in an amount which will not embarrass or burden the membership, nor should the total amount collected for the establishment of the Construction and Endowment Fund exceed the requirements. We believe if the Supreme Lodge should at this Convention initiate this undertaking, it would not be advisable to create a fund in excess of \$5,000,000, which shall include the interest accretions. The Supreme Lodge may regard this amount in excess or insufficient for present needs. This may be left for discussion. We cannot with accuracy foretell the future. The Supreme Lodge must meet the conditions as they arise and enact legislation commensurate therewith. The Supreme Chancellor presents, as a basis from which to consider this important undertaking, the following recommendation:

First, we accept as a very conservative estimate of our average membership for the next eight years 750,000. We may with confidence expect a very much larger membership. Everything points that way. An assessment of 80c per annum levied against a membership of 750,000 would produce an annual income of \$600,000, or a total amount of \$4,800,000 during a period of eight years, this fund to be segregated into two funds, to-wit, "A Construction Fund" and "An Endowment Fund." The use of the Construction Fund shall be solely for construction and the incidentals connected therewith, repairs and furnishings. The Endowment Fund shall be a permanent fund, the investment earnings of which to be used solely for the care and maintenance of the institutions in operation.

The principal sum of \$4,800,000 to be distributed into the respective funds as follows: 40% into the Construction Fund and 60% into the permanent Endowment Fund. The collections for Construction the first year will be \$240,000, with increases in a like sum each succeeding year. The collection for the Endowment Fund the first year will be \$360,000, with increases in a like sum for each succeeding year, and to both funds must be added the interest earnings on investments belonging to each respective fund. During the period of eight years \$1,920,000 will have been collected for Construction, to which interest returns must be added; and \$2,880,000, with interest earned, will have been applied to the Endowment Fund.

The assessment against the membership to be 80c annually and to be continued for a period of eight years, and paid in installments of 20c each quarter, and to be charged to and collected from the respective Grand Lodges. The receipt for dues furnished to each member must set forth explicitly that the assessment of 20c quarterly is for the \$5,000,000 Construction and Endowment Fund of the Order of Knights of Pythias.

In this manner the member shall constantly be advised of the fact that he is a contributor to a fund for the erection and maintenance of a fraternal enterprise of great magnitude, and cause him to value his membership in the Order at its full worth and retain his influence to the last day. The judgment of the Supreme Lodge may be to increase or decrease the total of \$5,000,000, and the assessment proportionately, or the conclusion might be reached to postpone action.

If the Supreme Lodge takes favorable action, the plan of organization and operation and all details must be prepared and completed with extreme care by a committee appointed for that purpose. A Board of Trustees will have to be elected to carry forward the entire undertaking. The investments of the funds must be limited to such securities to provide against any possible loss.

The Supreme Domain should be divided into districts and proper and equitable distribution made of the institutions, taking also into consideration Pythian population. Equitable adjustments to be made with domains now owning and maintaining institutions, if with their consent and approval propositions are made to nationalize these institutions.

The Supreme Lodge must first decide whether it shall now commit the Order to the undertaking, and, if so, all of these matters will require the profound and earnest consideration of the Supreme Lodge and the committee to which this very important subject may be referred.

#### METHODS TO PREVENT SUSPENSIONS.

The general prosperity and progressive activities of the Order during the biennial term has also had its beneficial influence in the retention of our membership. The comparisons for the calendar years 1918 and 1919 are as remarkable as they are interesting.

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| Initiated during the year 1919..... | 77,503 |
| Initiated during the year 1918..... | 27,903 |
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|                                     | 49,600 |
| Members suspended during 1918.....  | 35,511 |
| Members suspended during 1919.....  | 33,180 |
|                                     | <hr/>  |
|                                     | 2,331  |

Observation is made that during 1919, 49,600 members were initiated in excess of the year 1918, and the suspensions for 1919 were 2,331 less than during 1918. This is a very gratifying condition with respect to a problem of loss of membership regarded perilous to the Order, and to which the student members have given close attention and have offered a variety of prescriptions for its eradication almost as variable in quantity and quality as the dosage of allopathy and homeopathy.

Membership losses for the non-payment of dues are akin to all organizations and societies. The organizations and societies that suffer the least from the exiting of their membership by arrearages are those who have a constructive program of interest to the membership. The Supreme Lodge cannot enact legislation possessing all of the virtues to prevent suspensions. The methods to be pursued rest with subordinate lodges. The preventive program is, first, efficient subordinate lodge officers. The affairs of the lodge to be conducted in business-like fashion. Proficiency in our ritualism and the work relating to the conferring of Ranks. Instructive and interesting lodge meetings. Well-planned and conducted entertainments, and service to the community by the lodge. These are preventive measures and the program is one that will interest and retain our membership. Every lodge should elect a Master of Finance, who has an interest and pride in making a record in membership reten-



tion. This officer should receive a commission on his collections in compensation for his services.

To regain to membership those who have been suspended or those who in the future will be suspended, the Supreme Chancellor recommends the enactment of a statute incorporating simpler methods of proceeding than the one now in force.

#### PROPOSED SIMPLER METHODS FOR MEMBERSHIP REINSTATEMENT.

When a member is in arrears in an amount representing one year's dues, he should be notified, as now provided for in the Supreme Statutes, and the present statutes followed in this connection. If he fails to liquidate his arrearage, he shall be placed in the list to be termed "The Inactive List," and there to remain until he has paid his arrearage, which shall not exceed an amount of one year's dues. When a member is placed in "The Inactive List" the Master of Finance should be required to make this announcement to the Lodge. When the member has paid his arrearage the Master of Finance shall report it to the Lodge, whereupon, if no objection is made to the reinstatement of the member by a majority of those present, he shall be reinstated without further action and be placed in good standing. If, after a period of three years, the member on "The Inactive List" fails to place himself in good standing, then he shall be suspended from membership in the Lodge and remain so suspended until he becomes reinstated as provided for under the present statutes. A member on "The Inactive List" shall not be entitled to the semi-annual password or the benefits of the Lodge to which a member in good standing is entitled, nor shall he be entitled to the benefits until he has been placed in good standing for a period of six months. Lodges shall be exempt from paying per capita tax on members on "The Inactive List."

#### ONE-YEAR TERM FOR SUBORDINATE LODGE OFFICERS.

The Supreme Lodge should enact legislation fixing the term of subordinate lodge officers at one year. We are demanding proficiency. A six months term neither lends encouragement for an officer to fully equip himself for the office, nor is the period sufficiently long to fully qualify himself for the duties to be performed. Many Domains have already enacted legislation fixing the official term of a subordinate lodge officer at one year. The Supreme Lodge should make this requirement uniform throughout the Supreme Domain. This is a progressive step that must be taken to carry forward the work of subordinate lodges in a creditable manner. Thorough efficiency in subordinate lodges from whence Pythianism radiates after all will co-ordinate our power to a remarkable degree.

#### LIFE MEMBERSHIP CERTIFICATES.

There is a growing inclination for subordinate lodges to issue life memberships. Grand Lodges have also had this subject under consideration. It has been held that there is no provision in the Supreme Statutes permitting the issuance of a life membership certificate. My opinion has been requested with respect to the issuance of such certificates. I have been unable to find anything in the Statutes which prevents it. However, I have not sanctioned these issues, in each instance stating that the Supreme Lodge will consider the matter at the 1920 Convention, having referred such a proposal to the Insurance Department for an opinion. The proposition referred to the Insurance Department relates only to the payment in advance of a stipulated sum of money for a life membership. The Supreme Lodge should also consider a life membership certificate to be provided to members who have paid their dues for a period of

twenty-five years or more. There is a decided inclination in this direction among a large number of lodges. To prevent complications I recommend that the Supreme Lodge enact definite legislation providing for the issuance of life membership certificates or enact a statute prohibiting the issuance thereof.

#### MINIMUM AGE—18—PYTHIAN JUNIORS.

Whether we shall amend the Constitution reducing the minimum age for admission to the Order may be determined during this Convention. The unusual conditions prevailing in 1918 may have precipitated a degree of patriotism and sentiment in behalf of the youth engaged in War Service resulting in the referendum to Grand Lodges of the proposed amendment to the Constitution to reduce the minimum age to 18 years. The advisability of introducing this innovation into the Order has been a debatable one. The war is over and opinions and sentiment have changed to a large degree with respect to the proposed amendment to the Constitution. I am not advised of the result of the referendum. I believe, however, it is timely to direct the attention of the Supreme Lodge to the consideration of an auxiliary to the Order to be composed of the sons and brothers of our members from 18 to 21 years of age, to be the preparatory and advancing step for final admission to full membership at 21 years of age under regulations to be provided for by the Supreme Lodge.

#### DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, PUBLICITY AND DEVELOPMENT.

I can conceive no reason why the methods effective in business matters cannot be successfully introduced and applied to the fraternal system without in the least disturbing the ethics of fraternalism. A department of education, publicity and development has suggested itself to me because of the seeming necessity of continuing without interruption a fixed program for the progress and development of the Order. Administrations are of short duration, and come and go, and the plans for the extension and development of the Order are thus constantly changing. My observations for many years have left the impression upon me that in these constant changes we are apt to lose whatever there has been introduced by one administration of decided advantage to the Order which may not be acceptable or persisted in by the succeeding administration. A permanent department such as has been suggested by me could be regulated by legislation and be required to plan and present to the Supreme Lodge a definite program for the development of the Order, to be carried forward in a well defined, systematic and successive manner. If the Supreme Lodge believes such a department would be to the advantage of the Order the composition could be considered further and the matter of management readily suggested. From this department should emanate all official communications and publications of the Supreme Lodge. This co-ordinated system would eliminate the duplication of service and expense now existing to a greater or less degree.

#### THE FLAG CEREMONY.

Under the Supreme Statutes at the opening of the Lodge all present are required to salute the flag, exclaiming at the same time, "Forever may it wave." There is nothing in the Statutes which provides that this duty shall be imposed upon members entering the Lodge after it has been opened. This duty should be made uniform and observed by all members, whether in the Lodge either before or after the opening of

same. I earnestly recommend that Section 180 of the Supreme Statutes be amended as follows:

"A member entering the Lodge, after the Lodge has been declared open for the dispatch of business, shall proceed to the altar and, before giving any sign, he shall salute the flag, exclaiming at the same time, 'Forever may it wave!' A member retiring from the Lodge before the closing thereof shall, without exclamation, salute the flag before giving any sign."

The observation is made that the proposed amendment causes the duty imposed to be uniformly observed.

#### OFFICIAL RULINGS.

I have been requested to give rulings on many occasions and on various questions with respect to the Supreme Statutes. In every instance I have been pleased to respond. The correspondence in connection with these matters is very voluminous. Many of the rulings asked for are of insufficient importance to incorporate in this report.

The Statutes of our Order seem to be uniformly understood and followed. Only occasionally a ruling is asked on an important and material question.

*I have ruled* that an Indian of any degree is not eligible to membership in the Order of Knights of Pythias, as he does not come under the term "White Male," which implies Caucasian origin.

*I have ruled* that the Chancellor Commander of a subordinate lodge, which has merged with another subordinate lodge, notwithstanding the fact that he shall not have served until the end of his term, is entitled to the honor of Past Chancellor, but that this did not apply to the Keeper of Records and Seal or the Master of Finance, who, under the law, must have served their Lodges at least five consecutive years in said office before receiving the honor of a Past Chancellor. In support of this ruling, I call attention to Paragraph A of Article VI of the Supreme Constitution.

*I have ruled* that the revision and codification of the Constitution and Grand Statutes of a Grand Domain are not subject to the review of the Supreme Chancellor before final adoption by the Grand Lodge. Section 149 of the Supreme Statutes provides that this shall only be done in the case of the institution of a new Grand Lodge, and the Constitution and Grand Statutes thereof.

*I have ruled* that the business of a subordinate lodge must be conducted when the Lodge is open in the Rank of Knight. That the Lodge is only open in the Rank of Page for the purpose of conferring the said Rank, and the conferring of this Rank is a part of the Order of Business, to-wit, conferring Ranks, and when this has been completed, then the Lodge shall proceed to transact its regular business in the Rank of Knight.

*I have ruled* that the reconsideration or renewal of a ballot, after it has once been taken, is unlawful. In support of this ruling I refer to Section 207 of the Supreme Statutes.

In the question, "Can a Lodge Accept an Application from a Person that Is Totally Blind?" I have ruled as follows:

"In replying to this question I am confronted with an interpretation of the word 'mained' in the Supreme Statutes. Among other definitions the word 'mained' is defined as 'physically deficient.' I shall accept this view of it, and if the applicant is sound mentally and in good health, and if his condition in no wise impairs his ability or efficiency to be self-supporting, I would say that his disability does not make him ineligible for membership. The payment of the dispensation required for member-

ship of a 'mained' person must be complied with. The Supreme Statutes does not fix the amount. This is left to the Grand or subordinate lodges to determine."

*I have ruled* that the Statute providing for the Flag Ceremony in the closing of the Lodge does not require the use of the words "Forever may it wave" after the salute to the flag.

*I have ruled* that the Pythian Catechism is not a part of the secret work of the Order, and may be placed in the hands of a Page, Esquire, or Knight.

On April 30, 1919, a ruling on the following question was requested: Is the Chancellor Commander of the Rank Staff qualified to give the semi-annual password to the Esquire who is being knighted? My ruling was: "Any person legally conferring any of the ranks of the Order is authorized to give all of the secret work to the candidate, and in the rank of Knight the semi-annual password."

On May 8, 1920, a ruling was asked again on the same question. In this instance it will be observed that the regular Chancellor Commander of the Lodge was present. I examined the Supreme Statutes with care to determine the distinction between Section 193 and Section 215, and concluded to make a ruling which might in a measure be regarded as reversing the ruling heretofore made. I regard this conclusion to be of sufficient importance to submit the entire ruling for consideration.

VALLEY CITY, NORTH DAKOTA, May 8, 1920.

MR. FRANK R. FORREST,  
Iola, Kansas.

Dear Sir and Brother:

Your communication has been forwarded to me. You observe I am in North Dakota, absent from my office, and for this reason unable to take up the subject matter of your letter before this time. I am now engaged in my official visitations as Supreme Chancellor, and do not expect to return to Denver until June 4.

Replying to your inquiry, I desire, first, to call your attention to the obligation assumed in the Ritual in the Knights Rank, with respect to the use of the Semi-Annual password, the manner in which it is to be communicated and from whom. The careful consideration of the Ritual as it relates to the Semi-Annual password, will disclose the extremely cautious methods laid down and to be pursued in the matter of the Semi-Annual password.

Section 193 of the Supreme Statutes leaves no doubt whatever that the officer of the lodge, or the member of the lodge selected by the lodge to officiate as Chancellor Commander in the absence of the regularly elected Chancellor Commander, assumes and has all of the authority of the duly elected Chancellor Commander of the lodge. It is to be particularly noted that Section 193 fully sets forth, that the Chancellor Commander selected by the lodge, or the officer who assumes the office of Chancellor Commander, is clothed with complete authority to function as Chancellor Commander as if he was the regularly elected Chancellor Commander of the lodge.

As distinguished from Section 193, Section 215 of the Supreme Statutes, only authorizes the Chancellor Commander of the lodge to call at his pleasure any Knight to the chair to assist in conferring any Rank, or by consent of the lodge he may assign the work to a team.

Section 215, you will observe, differs from Section 193 in that no statement is made that the acting Chancellor Commander possesses all of the authority of the regular Chancellor Commander. If, under the statutes, it was intended that the acting Chancellor Commander should have the full authority of the regularly elected Chancellor Commander, the statutes would have so declared, as we find it in Section 193, and in the absence of this declaration it is my judgment that a Chancellor Commander acting under Section 215 of the Supreme Statutes to assist the regular Chancellor Commander of the lodge in conferring a Rank or the Ranks of the Order, and the duly elected Chancellor Commander being present, the acting Chancellor Commander has no authority under the law to communicate the Semi-Annual password to the Candidate, or Candidates as the case may be.

Sincerely and fraternally yours,

CHARLES S. DAVIS,  
Supreme Chancellor.

### CORRECTIONS IN LEGISLATION.

Sections 247, 248 and 250, Amended Statutes of 1916, relating to transfer cards, are ambiguous or conflicting.



Under 247, a member in possession of an official receipt showing his dues paid not less than two months in advance of the date of his application for membership, etc., and who desires to unite with some Lodge other than the one with which he holds membership, he may do so by making application for such membership, accompanied by his official receipt and fee required by law. If elected to membership, the Keeper of Records and Seal of the Lodge makes application for a transfer card for a member already elected.

Under Section 248 the Lodge requested for the transfer card shall issue same unless charges be pending against the member. Here, again, we find if the transfer card is issued to the member, then he shall become a member of the Lodge to which he made application.

Under Section 250 an application for membership by transfer card as herein provided shall be upon a special form to be provided by the Supreme Lodge and shall be subject to investigation and ballot as provided for in Sections 202 and 203 of the Supreme Statutes.

These three Sections are conflicting and should be corrected. Under Section 247 the member is elected upon the presentation of an official receipt. Under Section 248 we find that the member who had already become a member under 247 is not yet a member until the transfer card has been received, and then "he shall become a member of the Lodge to which he made application."

Under Section 250 "an application for membership by deposit of transfer card as herein provided shall be upon a special form to be provided by the Supreme Lodge, and shall be subject to investigation and ballot as provided in Sections 202 and 203, Supreme Statutes."

If these sections are conflicting, legislation should be enacted to make proper corrections. If ambiguous, the language of the sections should be cleared up. These three sections have been confusing to subordinate lodges, who are unable to connect them and determine the proper method to be pursued in the premises.

Section 194-A, Amended Statutes 1918, should be Section 193-A.

Section 194-A has no connection whatever with Section 194, but is directly related to Section 193.

#### APPEALS REFUSED.

Requests for permission of the Supreme Chancellor to circularize the Lodges of the Supreme Domain with appeals to procure funds for the erection of Castle Halls or to liquidate debts on Castle Halls have been refused in every instance. Some Lodges undertook to circularize the Supreme Domain without authority or even an effort made to procure the sanctioning thereof. Immediately action of this sort was brought to my notice I communicated with the Lodge and with the Grand Chancellor of the Domain and ordered the prompt discontinuance of the appeal made. This mandate was always obeyed. It will be apparent to the Supreme Lodge that permission should not be given to effect an appeal to Lodges in the Supreme Domain for the purposes as above set forth. If permitted, the Lodges would be besieged with appeals for aid to erect Castle Halls, and for the payment of debts. I have often keenly regretted my own determination in these matters, because of my desire to assist the Lodges, but I felt it was neither good policy nor expedient, nor even businesslike, to grant the permissions requested. The Supreme Lodge should give no encouragement to these propositions.

## DECISION OF THE SUPREME TRIBUNAL.

DECISION OF THE SUPREME TRIBUNAL IN THE MATTER OF THE EXPENSES OF THE  
PYTHIAN WAR RELIEF COMMISSION.

IN RE:

PETITION BY CHARLES S. DAVIS,  
*Supreme Chancellor,*  
FOR CONSTRUCTION OF STATUTES.

## PETITION.

1. General Fund Defined—The term "general fund" as used in appropriation statutes is a collective designation of money in the treasury (exchequer) collected for general governmental purposes.

2. Special Fund—A "special fund" is that which is collected and held for a special purpose authorized by law.

3. Disbursement of Funds—There can be no disbursement of the funds, general or special of the Supreme Lodge, unless the same have been regularly appropriated as provided by law.

4. Not an Appropriation—The mere direction by statute of the fund from which an expense may be paid is not an appropriation of that fund to authorize the drawing or payment of exchequer orders.

Judgment April 8, 1919.

Opinion of the Supreme Tribunal by Myers, C. T.

Under date September 14, 1918, the Supreme Chancellor addressed the Supreme Tribunal in the following communication:

Brothers: The Supreme Chancellor submits to the Supreme Tribunal through its Chief Tribune for formal adjudication and determination of the correct construction and application of chapter xiv, part i, division i of the Supreme statutes, found on pages 147, 148 and 149 of the daily proceedings. The part thereof giving rise to the questions submitted being Section 76p: "The expenses of the commission shall be paid out of the general fund of the Supreme Lodge."

Attention of the Supreme Tribunal is directed to chapter ii, division i, part i of the Supreme statutes under caption, "Funds," but more particularly to Sections 67 and 68 thereof bearing directly upon the question submitted.

Attention of the Supreme Tribunal is directed to the biennial budget enacted by the Supreme Lodge at its thirtieth regular convention held in Detroit during August, 1918, and designated document 131, and appearing on page 116 of the daily proceedings.

Having referred to the statutes and the biennial budget, we now point out the possible ambiguity and uncertainty that gives rise to the questions submitted.

Section 67 of the Supreme statutes provides:

"No disbursement of the funds of the Supreme Lodge shall be made unless the same have been regularly appropriated by the Supreme Lodge."

Section 68 of the Supreme statutes provides that the form for appropriation bills for the Supreme Lodge shall be substantially as follows:

"Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias, that the following sums or so much thereof as may be necessary are hereby appropriated for the purposes herein specified. The Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal is hereby authorized to draw exchequer orders, to be approved by the Supreme Chancellor, for such portions thereof as may be needed from time to time to meet the necessary requirements."

Section 76p of the recent enactment herein referred to creating the War Relief Commission, provides:

"The expenses of the commission shall be paid out of the general fund of the Supreme Lodge."

The biennial budget does not make specified appropriation for the expenses of the War Relief Commission. The ruling of the Supreme Tribunal is requested to determine the following:

1. A construction of the term "general fund," and what part of the funds of the Supreme Lodge constitutes the general fund.

2. No specified appropriation having been made in the biennial budget to make provision for the War Relief Commission, is the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal, properly within the law, authorized in approving of said orders for the use of such portion of the general fund as may be needed to defray the expenses of the War Relief Commission.

3. Inasmuch as the specified appropriation does not appear in the biennial budget, is it not the will and intention of the Supreme Lodge fully expressed in the enactment of the statute providing for the creation of the War Relief Commission, and further providing in Section 76p thereof, that the expenses of the commission shall be paid out of the general fund, and the Supreme Chancellor approving of same, notwithstanding that the biennial budget does not include a specified appropriation for the expenses of the War Relief Commission.

Fraternally submitted,

CHARLES S. DAVIS,  
*Supreme Chancellor.*

This is a proceeding by petition under Section 135, Supreme statutes. The Supreme Chancellor, by his petition, expresses opinion that there is apparent uncertainty as to the meaning, construction and application of Section 76p of the Pythian War Relief Commission statute which was enacted at the Detroit convention, 1918, of the Supreme Lodge, and submits for judicial determination certain questions, now considered in the order found in the petition.

In answer to the first question, it may be said that the term "general fund" as used in the statute in question, and as used in appropriation statutes generally, means the collective designation of money in the treasury, collected for general governmental purposes, for which it may be appropriated by formal enactment as required by law.

The term "general" or "common", as applied to the fund is to discriminate between that part of the fund which is for general use and appropriation, from that part which is held for special use and appropriation. Under the War Relief Commission act, the money collected by and for the commission, being for a special purpose, would constitute a special fund, which could not be legally applied to any purpose other than as provided by the act. In appropriation of either the general fund or of the special fund in the exchequer of the Supreme Lodge, Sections 67 and 68, S. S., applies and controls.

As to second question by the Supreme Chancellor, the answer is, that no specified appropriation having been made in the biennial budget, or otherwise, for the expense of the War Relief Commission, the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal is without authority, either to approve or to draw exchequer orders upon the general fund, or upon any special fund, of the Supreme Lodge, for the expense of the War Relief Commission.

Stated in our own way, the question, in substance, is this: Is the provision of Section 76p, that "the expenses of the commission shall be paid out of the general fund of the Supreme Lodge," an appropriation for these expenses, which will authorize the drawing of exchequer orders, as provided by Section 68, S. S.?

Article viii, Section 12, par. b. Constitution, enjoins that no moneys shall be drawn from the exchequer of the Supreme Lodge, except as provided by law. Pursuant of this constitutional requirement, Sections 67 and 68, Supreme statutes, were enacted, and are now in full force. Under Section 67, "no disbursement of the funds of the Supreme Lodge shall be made unless the same have been regularly appropriated by the Supreme Lodge." Section 68 directs the form of an appropriation bill, and requires that it shall specify the purpose for which the appropriation is made. Clearly, Section 76p may not be construed as an appropriation of funds conformably with Sections 67 and 68. Neither in form nor in substance, may it even be regarded as an attempted appropriation. It merely designates the fund from which an appropriation may be made.

Our construction of Section 76p may be taken as answer to the third question by the Supreme Chancellor. It is not to speculate upon what the Supreme Lodge intended otherwise than to say, that in the legislation of 1918, it must be held to have intended conformity with Sections 67 and 68, which was then, and is now the law. There is nothing in the act of 1918 from which to infer an intention to repeal Sections 67 and 68, nor is there such repugnance, any repugnance in fact, to suggest an intended repeal by implication.

It follows, therefore, that no appropriation for expense of the Pythian War Relief Commission having been made, there is no fund, general or special, in the keeping of the Supreme Lodge, upon which exchequer orders may be legally drawn for payment of the commission expense.

It is therefore decided, adjudged and determined:

1. That there was no appropriation by Section 76p of the statute in question, nor by any other statute for the expense of the Pythian War Relief Commission.

2. That there is no fund, general or special, in the keeping of the Supreme Lodge, upon which exchequer orders may be legally drawn or paid for the expense of the said Pythian War Relief Commission.

### THE DEFALCATION OF PAUL J. B. HAVERLY.

The report of Supreme Master of Exchequer Meares showing gross receipts received from Grand Domains up to and including December 31, 1919, gives credit to the Domain of Illinois for the amount of \$14,445.42, as having been received by the custodian of the War Relief Fund. I am not advised of the total collections made in this Domain in behalf of the fund. Document No. 34 of the Grand Lodge proceedings of Illinois 1918 Convention discloses that \$37,490.01 was collected from the subordinate lodges in Illinois and was at that time being held in the Domain, the said resolution bearing instructions that the funds represented by Certificates of Deposit for the above amount be forwarded to the Supreme Master of Exchequer as fast as the Certificates of Deposits representing the fund shall mature. The record shows that the document was unanimously adopted by the Grand Lodge of Illinois.

The Supreme Chancellor had implicit faith that the instructions of the Grand Lodge to the Grand Chancellor and Grand Keeper of Records and Seal would be obeyed. A communication received from Supreme Representative William G. Edens called my attention to the fact that the instructions contained in the resolution were violated and that certain Certificates of Deposit had matured and were being held contrary to the instructions of the Grand Lodge of Illinois. My reply to Brother Edens was that I would officially make a demand upon the Grand Chancellor and the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal of Illinois to comply with the Supreme Statutes and the resolution of the Illinois Grand Lodge.

In reporting this matter to the Supreme Lodge, it is my desire to furnish complete information regarding this defalcation and disclose the efforts made by me to procure from the officers in Illinois obedience to the mandate of the Supreme Statutes with respect to the funds collected for War Relief, and I herewith submit a copy of the order demanding the transmission of the funds, naming the amounts known to be on deposit in Chicago. The file of correspondence in this matter in my office is voluminous and I shall only incorporate into this report such correspondence as I believe the Supreme Lodge will be interested in.

June 27, 1919.

MR. PAUL J. B. HAVERLY,  
*Grand Keeper of Records and Seal, Knights of Pythias,*  
*Domain of Illinois,*  
130 North Wells Street, Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir and Brother:

IN RE WAR RELIEF FUND HELD BY YOU AS CUSTODIAN UNDER THE LAW.

I refer you, first, to Section 76d of the Supreme Statutes, as follows:

"76d. The War Relief Council of each Domain shall direct the collection of all moneys for the War Relief Fund and see that such moneys, when collected, are promptly forwarded to the proper officials, as hereinafter provided. The expenses of the council shall be borne by the Grand Domain in which such council is located."

Next I refer you to Section 76e of the Supreme Statutes, as follows:

"76e. All moneys collected from any source for the War Relief Fund shall be transmitted immediately to the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal in the Domain in which contribution is made, and he shall on the first day of each month transmit the same to the Supreme Master of Exchequer, and at the same time submit to each member of the War Relief Council a statement of the money, or moneys sent to the Supreme Master of Exchequer, itemized as to the amounts, and from whom received."

The Grand Lodge proceedings of Illinois, 1918 Convention, disclose Document

No. 34, being the report of the Committee on War Relief Funds, as follows:

"To the Grand Lodge of Illinois, Knights of Pythias:

Your special committee on War Relief Funds beg leave to report that we find that the Supreme Lodge has passed legislation for the collection and distribution of this Pythian War Relief Fund. We find that the sum of \$37,490.01 collected from the subordinate lodges should be turned over by the Grand Chancellor and Grand Keeper of Records and Seal to the Supreme Master of Exchequer and we recommend that the funds be forwarded as fast as the certificates of deposit representing such funds mature.

"AUGUST A. PARTLOW,  
"WILLIAM K. WHITFIELD,  
"JAMES G. WHITING,  
"THOMAS WILLIAMSON,  
"JOHN J. REEVE,

"Committee.

"Report adopted."

This document was unanimously adopted by the Grand Lodge of Illinois.

Official information received by me from the Supreme Master of Exchequer discloses that these funds are now being held in Illinois. I have the further information that the certificates of deposit representing the War Relief Fund matured February 1, 1919. Under the resolution passed by the Grand Lodge these funds should have been forwarded to the Supreme Master of Exchequer. I have the information, however, that the moneys were withdrawn from the Central Trust Co., on April 21, 1919, and redeposited in the Harris Trust & Savings Bank on the same date. This action was contrary to the resolution passed by the Grand Lodge of Illinois, ordering the funds to be sent to the Supreme Master of Exchequer.

Apart from the resolution passed by the Grand Lodge of Illinois, the Supreme Statutes make specific provision with respect to the collection and forwarding of War Relief Funds collected in Grand Domains. We have the information that the funds



deposited in the Harris Trust & Savings Bank are represented by two certificates, one for the sum of \$30,000.00 and the other for the sum of \$340.00, the latter representing interest accrued and paid by the Central Trust Co.

The Supreme Chancellor does now officially, under and by virtue of the authority vested in him by the Constitution and Supreme Statutes of the Order, officially make demand upon you, as the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal of the Domain of Illinois, and in compliance with the Supreme Statutes hereinbefore set forth in full, that you proceed without delay to transmit to the Supreme Master of Exchequer, Thomas D. Meares, Wilmington, North Carolina, all of the moneys held by you, belonging to the War Relief Fund of the Order of Knights of Pythias.

Fraternally yours,

CHARLES S. DAVIS,  
Supreme Chancellor.

June 27, 1919.

MR. SMITH L. VON FOSSEN,  
G. C., *Knights of Pythias, Domain of Illinois*,  
Beardstown, Illinois.

Dear Sir and Brother:

Enclosed you will please find a copy of my official communication this day mailed to the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal of Illinois, Brother Paul J. B. Haverly, the said communication being a demand for the prompt transmission of the funds held in Illinois to the office of the Supreme Master of Exchequer, Thomas D. Meares, Wilmington, North Carolina.

I shall expect your good office and co-operation with the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal to the end that there shall be no further delay in the proper and lawful transmission of these funds as contemplated in the Supreme Statutes fully set forth in my communication to the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal. Further, I am unable to comprehend why Document 34, unanimously adopted by the Grand Lodge of Illinois, is not complied with. However, the Supreme Chancellor in this matter is concerned in the application of the Supreme law, and trusts that it will be complied with fully.

We have exercised patience in this matter, feeling that the funds would be forwarded with certainty under the resolution passed by the Grand Lodge of Illinois, which resolution is a mandatory order upon the Grand Chancellor and the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal to transmit the funds when the certificates of deposit matured. This was not done, and the provisions of the resolution as well as the Supreme law have not been complied with. Therefore I am called upon to do my duty as Supreme Chancellor, and, in behalf of the Order, to proceed in a lawful way to enforce the Supreme Statutes in the premises.

I sincerely hope that this matter will be adjusted fraternally and lawfully, and that the order and demand of the Supreme Chancellor will be complied with promptly. We are keenly desirous of having an harmonious and satisfactory adjustment in the interest of the Domain of Illinois and the Order in general.

With my sincere and kindest personal regards, I remain

Sincerely and fraternally yours,

CHARLES S. DAVIS,  
Supreme Chancellor.

#### GRAND LODGE OF ILLINOIS, KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.

102 East Fourth Street,

BEARDSTOWN, ILLINOIS, June 30, 1919.

MR. CHARLES S. DAVIS,  
Supreme Chancellor *Knights of Pythias*,  
Denver, Colorado.

Dear Sir and Brother:

I have your communication of the 27th inst., and I desire to say that I will not be in Chicago for about two weeks, and as it takes my signature as well as the signature of the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal to draw the War Relief Fund, it will be impossible to send it to you before that time, unless I should make a special trip.

If it is necessary and you desire it before that time, I will make the special trip, otherwise I prefer to wait.

Kindly let me hear from you by return mail as to what will be satisfactory with you.

We are ready to turn the War Relief Fund over to Brother Meares at any time, and there is no reason why we should hold it.

I have been traveling throughout the state by auto, visiting the different lodges and endeavoring to arouse interest in the country lodges and have had splendid success and believe that the work will result in much good. I expect to put in about six weeks more touring the state, and I would like very much to have you spend a week with me.

Fraternally yours,

SMITH L. VON FOSSEN,  
Grand Chancellor.

MR. SMITH L. VON FOSSEN,  
Grand Chancellor, Knights of Pythias,  
Beardstown, Illinois.

July 2, 1919.

My Dear Grand Chancellor:

I have for reply your communication of June 30. I desire to thank you for your prompt response to my communication with respect to the War Relief Fund.

I am certainly gratified with your statement, "We are ready to turn over the War Relief Fund to Brother Meares at any time, and there is no reason why we should hold it."

I will not put you to the inconvenience of making a special trip to Chicago to endorse the certificates over to Brother Meares. You state you will be in Chicago within two weeks at which time you will endorse the certificates and have the funds properly transmitted to the Supreme Master of Exchequer. This arrangement and understanding is entirely satisfactory to me.

Brother Haverly has also indicated his desire to endorse over the certificates at once. It is now apparent that both endorsements can be secured and the funds transmitted to Brother Meares.

Sincerely and fraternally yours,

CHARLES S. DAVIS,  
Supreme Chancellor.

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GRAND LODGE OF ILLINOIS, KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.

130 North Wells Street,  
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, July 7, 1919.

HONORABLE CHARLES S. DAVIS,  
Supreme Chancellor, Knights of Pythias,  
Denver, Colorado.

Dear Brother Davis:

Your favor of the 2nd inst., with enclosures, received.

The copy of the letter of the Grand Chancellor was gratifying to me but not surprising. As I have told you, at my office, I was almost sure that he would see a light after I have taken up the matter with him. This was the only action he could gracefully take after being informed of my contemplated action to forward the certificates whether he signs them or not.

Were it not for the fact that I expected him to sign the certificates, they would have been in the possession of Brother Meares immediately following the receipt of your official letter asking for the surrender of same.

Fully satisfied with my actions in this matter and gratified that I could be of service to you and of assistance in helping to maintain the authority of the Supreme Lodge and its authorized Executive, I am

Fraternally and sincerely yours,

PAUL J. B. HAVERLY,  
G. K. R. S.

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MR. PAUL J. B. HAVERLY,  
G. K. R. and S., Knights of Pythias,  
130 Wells Street, Chicago, Illinois.

August 12, 1919.

Dear Sir and Brother:

I am unable to understand why the certificates of deposit representing the War Relief Fund of Illinois have not been forwarded as promised by you as custodian of this fund. The Grand Chancellor promised me that he would attend to this matter promptly upon his arrival in Chicago. A card from him advised me that he was in Chicago on Monday, the 4th inst., and would attend to this matter. After waiting patiently for a number of days to hear from you, I sent the enclosed night letter, and have been awaiting a reply.

From the statements made by you to me in connection with the War Relief Fund and your attitude concerning same, I felt convinced that you would take care of the matter properly and comply with the Supreme Statutes. I have not doubted your word, and therefore have been patient in taking definite action to secure proper performance under the Supreme Statute as well as under the resolution passed by the Grand Lodge of Illinois, authorizing and instructing the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal and the Grand Chancellor to transmit the War Relief Fund of Illinois to the Supreme Master of Exchequer when the certificates of deposit matured.

I had your promise personally while in your office that these certificates, properly endorsed, would be mailed from your office on Tuesday, August 6. I have not heard a word from you concerning them. Unless I receive a wire from Denver, stating that the certificates have been received, I shall be in Chicago on the 16th inst., and trust then that the certificates will be handed over to me or forwarded to the Supreme Master of Exchequer. I desire that this matter be adjusted harmoniously, as it ought to be, in the interest of all concerned. If it cannot be accomplished in this way, then I shall proceed at once to protect the interest of the War Relief Fund and the contributors to the fund within the Grand Domain of Illinois, and take such action as shall be found necessary in the premises.

Fraternally yours,

CHARLES S. DAVIS,  
Supreme Chancellor.

Attention is directed to the letters of Von Fossen of July 2 and Haverly of July 7. The funds had not been transmitted as promised. On the 16th of July I called at the office of Grand Keeper of Records and Seal in Chicago on my way East on official visitations. It was then agreed that the Certificates of Deposit properly endorsed over to Supreme Master of Exchequer Meares would be mailed from Chicago, either direct to Brother Meares or through my office, not later than August 6. The certificates were not transmitted, whereupon the following telegrams were sent to the Grand Chancellor and Grand Keeper of Records and Seal.

August 9, 1919.

PAUL J. B. HAVERLY,  
*Grand Keeper of Records and Seal, Knights of Pythias,*  
130 Wells Street, Chicago, Illinois.

I expected certificates of deposit last Thursday as promised by you. Had word from the Grand Chancellor from Chicago last Monday that he was in Chicago attending to this matter. Wire immediately if certificates have been forwarded and if not why not. If necessary I shall again return to Chicago immediately and take definite action in this important matter. I have relied upon your promise to comply with the law and forward the certificates without further delay.

CHARLES S. DAVIS,  
*Supreme Chancellor.*

August 4, 1919.

HON. SMITH L. VON FOSSEN,  
*Grand Chancellor, Knights of Pythias,*  
Beardstown, Illinois.

Shall expect transmission of certificates this week. Please attend to it.

CHARLES S. DAVIS,  
*Supreme Chancellor.*

Returning from the Eastern visitation I arrived in Chicago on the morning of Saturday, August 16, and without any delay proceeded to the office of the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal. The investigation made by me leading up to the disclosure of the embezzlement of the fund by Haverly is completely set forth in my communication to Past Supreme Chancellor Brown of date August 26; a copy of this communication was also sent to each member of the War Relief Commission.

August 26, 1919.

HON. JOHN J. BROWN, P. S. C.,  
Vandalia, Illinois.

My Dear Brother Brown:

I have for reply your several letters of recent date. I returned home Saturday night and have been very busy ever since. Letters of importance received at this office are usually forwarded and I take care of them en route, but I requested that nothing be forwarded on account of the Chicago complication, so that I could give the Haverly matter my full attention.

Briefly stated, the facts are these:

After constant pressure on the Grand Chancellor and Haverly, I secured the promise that the certificates of deposit, properly endorsed, would be forwarded directly to Brother Meares or sent through my office to Brother Meares on August 6. I heard nothing further. On August 10 I sent Haverly a wire inquiring whether the certificates had been sent, and if not, why not; that it was my intention to come to Chicago immediately and take definite action with respect to the fund if it had not been forwarded. I received no reply whatever to this wire.

I left Denver on August 11 to attend the Grand Lodge Convention of Iowa and the D. O. K. K. meeting at Peoria. I arrived in Chicago on the morning of Saturday, the 16th. I immediately went to the office of the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal and was informed by his clerk that Haverly left August 6 on his vacation, expecting to be absent four or five days; that when he left he said he would not write to the office nor did he want the office to write to him. My suspicion was then aroused. I inquired whether his wife had heard from him; the clerk said she had. I asked the clerk to call Mrs. Haverly up and secure definite information as to when Haverly would return. Mrs. Haverly stated she expected him home that day. This did not satisfy me. I called the Grand Chancellor at Beardstown by phone on Saturday afternoon. My interview with him was to this effect: That he and Haverly went to the Harris Trust and Savings Bank, properly endorsed the certificates of deposit representing the War Relief Fund, and secured therefor, on the advice of Mr. Walker of the Bank, a cashier's check for the sum of \$30,000, payable to Thomas D. Meares, Supreme Master of Exchequer. I questioned the Grand Chancellor closely and he said that he was present when this cashier's check was issued and turned it over to Haverly to be sent to Brother Meares. This ended our conversation, but did not satisfy me.

I immediately wired to Brother Meares asking him whether he had received the cashier's check. Brother Meares replied promptly that he had not received the check. Whereupon I called up the Grand Chancellor by phone again, told him of the reply that I received from Meares, and summoned him to come to Chicago at once. He stated that he could not leave, that he was in the course of preparation of his report. This was late Saturday afternoon and nothing could be done. The Grand Chancellor did not appear on Sunday.

I had a conference with Brother Edens, stating the situation as I found it in the office of the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal, and that I had wired Brother Meares. This was late Saturday night. I could not reach Brother Edens Saturday night or Sunday to advise him of the reply of Brother Meares. I sought to get him on Monday morning early, but found that he was at home, not feeling well. I requested him to call up the officer at the Harris Trust and Savings Bank and identify me as Supreme Chancellor and that I would proceed to the bank, give proper evidence for my own identification, and make an investigation of the situation with respect to the cashier's check.

Upon my arrival at the bank, Mr. Hoover, one of the Vice-Presidents, called in Mr. Walker, who did the business with Haverly. Mr. Walker was requested to produce the certificates of deposit, the cashier's check and the warrants signed by Haverly as Grand Keeper of Records and Seal, upon which the cash was received from the bank. My careful investigation of all these items resulted in disclosing the forgeries.

Haverly forged the endorsement of Meares on the back of the cashier's check, under which appeared the rubber stamp endorsement of the Grand Lodge of Illinois guaranteeing all other endorsements appearing upon the check, and deposited it to the credit of the Grand Lodge of Illinois, merging the War Relief Fund with the Grand Lodge Fund of Illinois, upon which, it appears, Haverly had authority to draw checks. This occurred on the 5th. On the 6th two checks were drawn against the Grand Lodge Fund and signed by Haverly, one for the amount of \$18,815 and the other for \$20,405. The cash was handed to Haverly by Mr. Walker. All of the Grand Lodge Fund was not drawn upon. There remains a balance of \$9,597.40.

The investigation also disclosed that Haverly drew upon the account of the Insurance Department for \$1,896.03, leaving a balance of a couple of dollars. A check against this account was cashed at the window, and, in addition to this, a certificate of deposit payable to Von Fossen and Haverly, as custodians of the War Relief Fund, for the sum of \$601, representing the interest accumulated on the War Relief Fund. Upon this certificate Haverly forged Von Fossen's name and procured the amount in cash.

Having all of this evidence at hand, I left the bank and phoned and wired at the same time to the Grand Chancellor to take the first train for Chicago. He arrived in Chicago late Monday night. On Tuesday morning, the Grand Chancellor, Brother Edens and I returned to the bank to corroborate the evidence that I had secured. The Grand Chancellor thereupon, and upon my counsel and the counsel of others, wired to the Grand Lodge officers and Supreme Representatives to come to Chicago at once for a conference. Upon my request, Supreme Representative Witte, Chairman of the Finance Committee, attended the conference also. The conference took place Wednesday morning in the office of the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal, and was designated as the Grand Council. At this meeting the Grand Chancellor, upon advice and counsel given, appointed a Legal Advisory Committee to determine what should be done in the premises.

Haverly was bonded for \$15,000. The bond companies were notified. The Harris Trust Company was also served with notice regarding the endorsements as being forgeries. On Thursday morning a warrant for the arrest of Haverly was taken out and sworn to by the Grand Chancellor.

In addition to the amounts extracted from the Harris Trust and Savings Bank, a bank book was found in the desk showing that Haverly had opened up an account at the Fort Dearborn National Bank, deposited \$10,000 therein at various times, beginning with July 5. This account was looted also to the extent only of leaving a balance of \$1.35.

Having discovered Haverly's defalcation on account of the Insurance Department, I phoned for Wade or Powers to come to Chicago at once—preferably Powers—on account of his ability to make an accounting of the books. Powers came, arriving in Chicago on Tuesday morning. The National Surety Company was notified at once. The Insurance Department, of course, is protected from any loss.

Haverly's defalcation, embezzlement and forgeries will represent a total of \$52,000, against which there are surety bonds of \$17,000, which can be collected from the surety companies.

Added to the sums extracted from the banks, Haverly discounted a note for \$900 given to the Grand Lodge in payment of a lot owned by the Grand Lodge; also \$100 in cash given as part payment; disposed of four \$100 liberty bonds, the latter two items being in the steel box in the vault in the office. In other words, he took everything in sight that was portable. My estimate is that the losses in Grand Lodge funds will amount to \$20,500.

Note that I finally succeeded in getting the endorsement on the back of the certificates of deposit, for which a cashier's check was drawn in favor of the Supreme Master of Exchequer, then the scoundrel Haverly got to work. The police of Chicago have already disclosed that he is an ex-convict, having served two years in the Nevada penitentiary for check cashing. Note also that Haverly



decamped on the 6th of August. Evidently his absence was a matter of indifference to the regular visitors at his office. I appeared on the scene on the 16th, ten days after he decamped, to discover that fraud and criminal acts had been committed. Quite likely if I had not appeared there, it would still be regarded that Haverly was away on his vacation.

The Supreme Chancellor had enforced the Supreme law by issuing an order and demand for the fund. This order was obeyed, but Haverly had planned to get away with the fund in the end. He is a keen, planning criminal with experience. I never had any faith in the fellow, but his making was of Illinois and the Supreme Chancellor was merely a looker-on.

The matter stands this way: The Legal Advisory Committee, of which the Grand Chancellor is Chairman, and which consists of members of the Order, is empowered to secure counsel. Competent authorities believe that the Harris Trust and Savings Bank is liable for the forged endorsements and the payment of the sums of money procured through these forged endorsements. I stood guard against the Supreme Lodge or the Supreme War Relief Commission being involved in this matter. It was the duty of the authorities in Illinois to safeguard the fund in every way, and it is now the duty of the authorities in Illinois to do everything possible to apprehend Haverly, and obtain the return of as much as possible of the fund. It is likely that the Supreme Master of Exchequer, Thomas D. Meares, may have to appear there in person, or by deposition, against the Harris Trust and Savings Bank in the matter of the forged endorsement of the cashier's certificates. You will note that the whole matter is free from the Supreme Lodge and the Supreme War Relief Commission, in my judgment, and we should proceed along this line in this unfortunate affair.

Sincerely and fraternally yours,

CHARLES S. DAVIS,  
*Supreme Chancellor.*

A few minor inaccuracies are shown in the figures and items included in the Haverly embezzlement, but we are chiefly concerned in the War Relief Fund and the embezzlement in this connection remains \$30,000 and accrued interest.

The Legal Advisory Board of the Grand Lodge employed Judge W. M. McEwen of Chicago for his views and the possibility of recovering the funds embezzled by Haverly. Mr. McEwen gives as his opinion that at least the War Relief Fund can be recovered and to this end suit has been brought against the Harris Trust & Savings Bank of Chicago. The Insurance Department has recovered its losses in the payment of the surety bond covering funds collected by Haverly as Section Secretary.

### DUPLICATE CHARTER FOR ILLINOIS.

Section 146 of the Supreme Statutes authorizes the Supreme Chancellor upon satisfactory proof of loss or destruction of an original charter, to order a duplicate charter through the office of the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal. Satisfactory proof having been furnished to me of the loss or destruction of the original Charter of the Grand Lodge of Illinois, I requested Brother Wheaton to furnish the said Grand Lodge with a duplicate charter. The proof upon which the Supreme Chancellor issued the order is herewith submitted to the Supreme Lodge.

EDWARD T. GUTHRIE.

GRAND CHANCELLOR OF ILLINOIS, KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.

MATTOON, ILLINOIS, June 17, 1920.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, COLES COUNTY.—ss.

I, Edward T. Guthrie hereby certify that I am the Grand Chancellor of the Domain of Illinois, of and for the Order of Knights of Pythias. That I have been in the office of the Grand Lodge at Chicago, Illinois, frequently, and that on my last visit there I took a look for the Charter of the said Grand Lodge, after same had been requested of me by the attorneys who are bringing a suit to recover on a defaulted bond of one Paul J. B. Haverly, and that I wished to satisfy myself that the Charter was or was not there in the said Grand Lodge office, and same could not be found. I asked the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal to locate same if possible and he informs me that it is not in the Grand Lodge office anywhere. I also asked Miss Joho, the bookkeeper, if she had seen it and she said in her fifteen years connection with the Grand Lodge office she had never seen the said Charter.

This affidavit is made for the purpose of satisfying the Supreme Chancellor, the Honorable Charles S. Davis of Denver, Colorado, that the same is lost and that on behalf of the Grand Lodge of Illinois Knights of Pythias I pray that he may direct the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal to issue a duplicate Charter as is prescribed in the Supreme laws under Section 146 of page 48 of the Supreme Statutes. This is necessary that we have same at once to use in our suit that is now pending above referred to.

EDWARD T. GUTHRIE,  
Grand Chancellor.  
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 17th day of June, A. D. 1920.  
CLARENCE W. HUGHES,  
Notary Public.

My commission expires October, 1921.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, COOK COUNTY.—ss.

I, Allen Douglass, hereby certify that I am the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal of the Grand Lodge of Illinois Knights of Pythias, and that I have been since October last past, and that I was called upon to produce the Charter of the said Grand Lodge of Illinois Knights of Pythias, on account of a certain suit that is now pending in connection with certain matters relating to the defalcations of one Paul J. B. Haverly, at one time Grand Keeper of Records and Seal of this Domain, and that I have made diligent and careful search for the said Charter in the office of the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal and in all safety boxes that I know of that the papers of the Grand Lodge might be, and that I am unable to find same anywhere. I am positive that the Charter is lost, or stolen. I therefore pray the Honorable Charles S. Davis, the Supreme Chancellor of the Order of Knights of Pythias, at Denver, Colorado, that he cause to be issued a duplicate Charter to this Domain, as is laid down in the Supreme Statutes under Section 146 of page 48 of same.

ALLEN DOUGLASS,  
Grand Keeper of Records and Seal.

Subscribed and sworn to by the above mentioned Allen Douglass, before me this 18th day of June, A. D. 1920, and for the uses and purposes herein set forth.

JOHN H. WILLIAMS,  
Notary Public.

My commission expires August 29, 1923.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, COOK COUNTY.—ss.

I, Miss Elizabeth Joho of the City of Chicago and State of Illinois, hereby certify that I am the chief clerk and bookkeeper in the Grand Lodge office of the Order of Knights of Pythias, located at No. 130 North Wells Street in the City of Chicago, Illinois, and that I have been employed in said office for the past fifteen years with the exceptions of a few months while one Paul J. B. Haverly was Grand Keeper of Records and Seal, and that I have for a number of years had access to the vault, and other places where valuable papers of the Order were kept, and that in all my years of service in said office above referred to, I have no recollection of ever seeing the Charter of the Grand Lodge of Illinois Knights of Pythias. I further certify that I was in the employ of the Grand Lodge during the time that Mr. Henry P. Caldwell was Grand Keeper of Records and Seal and that I was pretty familiar with all the places where valuable papers were usually kept by him, and I have no knowledge of the Charter being in any of those places.

I certify that I have assisted in the search for the Charter in the past month and that it cannot be found and that I am satisfied that same is lost or stolen from the said the Grand Lodge of Illinois Knights of Pythias office, located as above mentioned, and of this fact I am certain.

MISS ELIZABETH JOHO.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 18th day of June, A. D. 1920, for the uses and purposes herein set forth.

JOHN H. WILLIAMS,  
Notary Public.

My commission expires August 29, 1923.

June 25, 1920.

HON. FRED E. WHEATON,  
S. K. R. and S., Knights of Pythias,  
Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Dear Brother Wheaton:

I have the sworn statements from Edward T. Guthrie, the Grand Chancellor of Illinois; Allen Douglass, the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal of Illinois, and Miss Elizabeth Joho, the clerk in the office of the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal of Illinois, all subscribing and swearing that after careful search for the charter of the Grand Lodge of Illinois, the same has not been recovered, and it is further stated it is not likely that it will be. Therefore the Grand Lodge of Illinois is without a charter, and the request is made of the Supreme Chancellor that he direct the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal to issue a duplicate charter as is prescribed in the Supreme Statutes under Section 146 on page 48 of the said statutes. It is further averred that it is necessary that this duplicate charter be issued at once, so that the same may be used in the suit now pending to recover on the defaulted bond of Paul J. B. Haverly.

Under the authority vested in me by and under the Supreme Statutes, I request that you issue a duplicate charter to the said Grand Lodge of Illinois.

Fraternally yours,  
CHARLES S. DAVIS,  
Supreme Chancellor.

June 25, 1920.

HON. EDWARD T. GUTHRIE,  
Grand Chancellor, *Knights of Pythias*,  
Mattoon, Illinois.

Dear Sir and Brother:

Having fully set forth by sworn statements that after diligent search for the original charter of the Grand Lodge of Illinois, the same cannot be recovered, and having received the affidavits of yourself, the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal, and Miss Elizabeth Joho, the clerk in the office, that search has been made and the charter not found, therefore under and by virtue of the authority vested in me as Supreme Chancellor, acting under the Supreme Statutes I have requested the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal, Brother Wheaton, to issue a duplicate charter to the Grand Domain of Illinois.

Fraternally yours,  
CHARLES S. DAVIS,  
Supreme Chancellor.

#### PRESENTATION OF P. S. C. JEWEL TO JOHN J. BROWN.

On September 16 and 17, 1919, I attended the Grand Lodge Convention of Illinois, at which time I presented to Past Supreme Chancellor Brown the jewel representing the exalted place that he occupies in the Order as a past executive officer. The presentation was made officially and in behalf of the Supreme Lodge. The Grand Lodge of Illinois was elated as well as delighted with this addition to the functioning of a very interesting Grand Lodge Convention. Brother Brown accepted the jewel with feeling of appreciation and gratitude.

#### APPROVAL OF SURETY BONDS.

In compliance with the Supreme Statutes, the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal filed with the Supreme Chancellor a surety bond for the amount of \$20,000, and the Supreme Master of Exchequer filed his bond for the amount of \$200,000. Brother Wheaton's bond is covered by the American Surety Company of New York, with premium paid up to January 1, 1921. The bond of Brother Meares is covered by the Massachusetts Bonding and Insurance Company, of Boston, Massachusetts. The premium on this bond is paid to the 25th of October, 1920. Both of the above bonds were approved by me and the Supreme Vice Chancellor, as provided for by Statute.

#### BIENNIAL AUDITING.

I have requested the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal, Brother Wheaton, to employ a certified public accountant at Minneapolis to make the biennial audit of the accounts and financial expenditures of the officers and committees of the Supreme Lodge. The audit will be made and reported to the Supreme Lodge in the manner provided by statute. The Statute provides that the Supreme Chancellor shall employ the accountant, but inasmuch as the work has to be done at Minneapolis, Brother Wheaton is in better position to make the selection of a competent auditor to make the accounting and audit.

#### ADDITIONAL ALLOWANCE TO MISS RATHBONE.

In a communication received from the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal, dated October 28, 1919, correspondence was enclosed directing attention to Miss Rathbone's situation and condition, and the urgent need for an increase of her allowance to cover necessary maintenance. The exigencies of the case called for an immediate investigation. The

daughters of the founder of the Order reside in Dalton, Massachusetts. I requested Brother Wheaton to communicate with the Grand Chancellor and the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal of Massachusetts, requesting them to investigate the case personally, if possible. Brother Kirkby, the Grand Chancellor, visited the home of Mrs. Andrews, the widowed daughter of the founder, and where Miss Lucetta Rathbone also resides. The Grand Chancellor reported that Mrs. Andrews was very comfortably situated in every respect, but Miss Lucetta was in very poor health, with increasing demands for her comfort, which the allowance of \$50.00 a month made by the Supreme Lodge did not provide her with. Upon the receipt of this information and the further recommendation of Brother Wheaton, I approved the allowance be increased \$50.00 in excess of the amount she had been receiving for the month of December, and thereafter \$25.00 per month covering the period between this date and the Supreme Lodge Convention. In this action we felt assured the Supreme Lodge would give its hearty approval.

#### PYTHIAN EDUCATIONAL COMMITTEE.

By virtue of the Supreme Statutes, this committee consists of three members, all being ex-officio:

CHARLES S. DAVIS, S. C., *Chairman*,  
WILLIAM LADEW, S. V. C.,  
JOHN J. BROWN, P. S. C.

The Committee elected Brother Ladew as Secretary. Without expense this Committee has had opportunities for frequent meetings, during which educational matters in behalf of the Order were fully discussed. It was unanimously agreed from the outset that no expense should be incurred for lectures. The Supreme Lodge appropriated \$5,000 for the use of the Committee, of which up to June 30, 1920, \$2,399.02 has been expended, leaving a balance of \$2,600.98 unexpended. The items of expenditures will appear in the report of the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal, and taken from the books in his office. Therefore, it is unnecessary to itemize the expenditure in this report, except to state that all of the expenditures were carefully considered and approved of by the Committee. There is an increasing demand for educational booklets, such as are now being used, and should be provided to the lodges without cost. Publicity matter of an educational nature has also been distributed from the Office of the Supreme Chancellor. We believe that every dollar expended has produced adequate returns in behalf of the Order. We recommend a continuation of an appropriation of \$5,000 for educational purposes.

#### SUPREME LODGE RELIEF FUND.

Document 144 adopted by the Supreme Lodge at the 1918 Convention appropriated from the funds of the Supreme Lodge the sum of \$5,000 to be known and dispersed as the Supreme Lodge Relief Fund, the fund to be used in the relief of Pythians in good standing who may become charges upon Lodges and Domains other than those in which their home Lodges are located, and the document provided further that the Supreme Chancellor is vested with authority to grant or refuse any application. The following applications for reimbursement of relief furnished to members of the Order and whose cases came under the provisions of Document 144 were granted:

#### EXPENDITURES.

December 24, 1918. To James E. Elder, G. K. R. S. of New Mexico, on behalf of W. L. Bradford, member of Annawan Lodge No. 69, Fall River, Massachusetts ..... \$50.00



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| July 15, 1919. To William M. Gober, Grand Chancellor of Florida, to reimburse St. John's Lodge No. 8, of Palatka, Florida, for relief extended to William H. Snyder, of Seattle Lodge No. 10, Seattle, Washington.... | 130.00   |
| July 15, 1919. To John D. Loper, G. K. R. S. of Arizona, for relief advanced by Prescott Lodge No. 1, Prescott, Arizona, in behalf of H. F. Jones, member of McKinley Lodge No. 154, of Greenville, Mississippi.....  | 50.00    |
| Total expenditures .....                                                                                                                                                                                              | \$230.00 |
| August 27, 1919. Refund .....                                                                                                                                                                                         | 130.00   |
| Total net expenditures .....                                                                                                                                                                                          | \$100.00 |

The refund of \$130.00 is explained as resulting from my correspondence with the Grand Chancellor of Washington and procuring his assistance in getting a check from Seattle Lodge No. 10 to reimburse the Supreme Lodge Relief Fund for the amount stated under expenditures. This check was sent to the office of the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal by me and promptly credited to the fund. This accounting of the fund represents prompt action on my part in response to every request for reimbursement. There are three cases still pending, all in New Mexico, and representing the probable total reimbursement of \$450.00.

### EULOGIUM OF OUR DEPARTED.

Each succeeding Convention of the Supreme Lodge unfolds another page in the Book of Life and tells the story of those departed from worldly activities during the biennial term. The term just ending has been no exception. It is a trite saying that history repeats itself. Many Past Grand Chancellors of the respective Domains have passed from the scene of mortal existence, and whose departure we mourn. Upon the immortal foundation erected by those servants to the cause of Pythianism, the living are building a still greater Pythianism. This is the heritage placed into our keeping. This encomium belongs also to our comrades whom we have learned to know and love because of the closer relationship had with them in the affairs of the Supreme Lodge. We have the record of the passing away of twenty-eight members of the Supreme Lodge who have served as Supreme representatives, four of whom were Supreme representatives at the time of their death.

John F. Onion, Texas, died October 31, 1918,  
Thos. H. Manley, Ontario, died March 13, 1919,  
Wm. C. MacDonald, Ontario, died December 27, 1919,  
Carroll S. Bartram, Minnesota, died April 11, 1920,

in the full majesty of their sterling character, ability, zeal and enthusiasm for the Pythian cause, these four brothers were our co-workers at the 1918 Convention. Mid the tears of surviving relatives, brothers and friends, their bodies were laid to rest. "It is not all of life to live, or all of death to die." In the battle for justice and equality, our brothers gave distinguished service.

"Tears! Tears! Tears!  
Like dews upon the leaf  
That burst at last, from out the years,  
The blossom of a trust appears,  
The blossom above the grief:  
And mother, brother, wife and child  
Will see it and be reconciled."

### THE PRESS—PYTHIAN AND OTHERWISE.

Too much cannot be said of the value to the Order of the Pythian Press. Our publications compare favorably with, or possibly excel, the publications of other fraternal societies. In appreciation for the untinted and splendid service given to the Order by the Pythian Press, the Supreme Lodge can do no less than give its endorsement and encouragement for the success and further extension of this agency for the good of the Order. The Insurance Department News and the Pythian Advocate are

two splendid examples of the character of our Pythian Press. All of the publications are worthy newsmen of Pythianism. The editors and owners of many of our publications carry on their service to the Order without financial gain. In fact, we learn of instances that losses are sustained in return for the enterprise exhibited. I desire to express my personal gratitude and appreciation for the magnificent and unselfish assistance given to me by the entire Pythian Press. The columns gave bounteous descriptions of my journeys and visitations made. We declare unhesitatingly that the Pythian Press is not alone a medium of carrying to the Pythian household Pythian news, but in addition is educational in matters Pythian to the very highest degree.

The public press also is entitled to special mention for its painstaking efforts in giving the administration wide range of publicity. In every community visited its columns were generously donated to the local committee for the use of the Order, and through its columns the public in general were advised fully of Pythian propaganda. My sincere appreciation is extended to the public press.

### THE SUPREME KEEPER OF RECORDS AND SEAL.

Rarely does a man possess so many qualities that fit him for the high responsible duties of Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal found in Brother Wheaton. Capable, energetic, enthusiastic and singularly versatile. The affairs of the office of the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal in the hands of Brother Wheaton gives assurance of the highest degree of efficiency. Always prompt, willing and courteous. The utmost harmony has prevailed in all of our relations. Our zeal and ambition were constantly co-ordinated to build to even greater heights our Master Fraternity. I have learned to appreciate Fred's worth as a superior Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal because of our closer association and friendship during the past two years. I wish to acknowledge my gratitude for his able counsel and assistance.

### SUPREME VICE CHANCELLOR.

Supreme Vice Chancellor Ladew has been constantly on the alert in behalf of the administration. Although I have visited every Grand Domain in the Supreme Domain, the program of visitations was extended and intensified through the attendance of Brother Ladew at twenty-one Grand Lodge Conventions during the biennial term. Brother Ladew was ever ready to render assistance and brought with his activities the ripened service resulting from long years of experience in connection with the Order. I bespeak for Brother Ladew a successful administration and cherish the hope that it shall be attended with pyramiding the progress of the past two years with even greater progress. To that end I shall render assistance. I heartily acknowledge my appreciation for the service rendered by Brother Ladew and with it I extend my thanks.

### THE SUPREME MASTER OF EXCHEQUER.

Brother Thomas D. Meares has been the custodian of the funds of the Supreme Lodge for many years. We have had no reason to doubt the wisdom of the Supreme Lodge in reposing our confidence in our Supreme Master of Exchequer. A Supreme Chancellor is relieved of considerable care when he feels that the funds of the Supreme Lodge are properly safeguarded and handled with efficiency and according to the Supreme Statutes. Brother Meares has a wide range of knowledge, both business and fraternal, and is found resourceful when called upon for counsel. Brother Meares is also entitled to my acknowledgment and thanks for his contribution to the success of the administration.

### THE PRESIDENT OF THE INSURANCE DEPARTMENT.

Brother Harry Wade has given convincing evidence of his earnest desire to serve the Order of Knights of Pythias in connection with his work as President of the Insurance Department in making available the organization of the department and the Insurance Department News, in behalf of the progress of the Order. With the consent and approval of the Board of Control, Brother Wade has given generously of his ability in advancing the interests of the Order, and placed at the command of Grand Chancellors the service of the field force of the Department for the success of the subordinate lodges. His first thought has been the Order's progress. Brother Wade possesses keen adaptability for organization work. His co-operation is thoroughly appreciated, and for the assistance rendered I wish also to extend to Brother Wade my gratitude.

### THE CORDIALITY AND COURTESIES OF OTHERS.

To Major General Loomis, Supreme Chief Mrs. Elizabeth J. Hutchinson of the Pythian Sisters, Past Imperial Prince Dr. Snowden, and Imperial Prince Harry Nice, of the Knights of Khorassan, I am deeply grateful. From the outset of my administration I requested the co-operation of the branches and auxiliaries of the Order through their respective executives. The response was prompt and generous. In return there was no failure on my part to aid the departments and auxiliaries in every possible way, all of which was appreciated. To the members of the Companies, to the good Sisters, to the Dokeys, thousands of whom I met at meetings and in the highways and byways of my travels, I doff my hat and say "Thanks! Thanks! Thanks!"

### OTHER ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.

I cannot close this report without expressing my deep appreciation to the many thousands of members of the Order with whom I have come in contact for their uniform courtesy and assistance. I must especially mention the Past Supreme Chancellors, the Supreme Representatives and Past Supreme Representatives, Grand Chancellors, Grand Keepers of Records and Seal, and other Grand Lodge officers, whose hospitality and courtesy, while visiting the respective domains, relieved the natural pining for home after prolonged absence and the constant travel and application to the work. Again, I thank the Pythian Press and the editors personally for their co-operation.

I am under obligation to the Supreme Lodge for giving me the opportunity to serve the Order of Knights of Pythias as its Chief Executive.

### CONCLUSION—PROGRESS.

Consideration of the foregoing report will show the work accomplished and the progress made during the biennial term. Our statistical accounting can only be reported for the calendar year 1919. This is to be regretted. If we could unfold the progress of the Order up to the adjournment of this Convention, which would in fact represent the biennial term, the record would disclose a net increase of not less than 80,000 members with a corresponding growth in every department of Pythian endeavor.

It will be observed that the spirit of optimism has permeated every sentence in the report. Service has added new laurels to the Pythian wreath around which is entwined the Divine principles of "FRIENDSHIP, CHARITY AND BENEVOLENCE." Service will constantly attune us to duty and the conditions to be met with the coming generations. The

value of greater service has been brought into our lives through the sacrifices made during the war. Service is the measure of life. How long we live is inconsequential, if the living is not associated with a record of service and sacrifice. This is our lesson, and our reward will be progress in behalf of humanity and the world.

Our program for the continued development of the Order must be affirmative and concrete. Our community service embodies a plain duty to proceed through evolutionary principles to acquaint our members and others with the need of pursuing rational means to procure the adjustments that are still before us in our return to normal economic conditions. Those who are sterling in their patriotism will display thrift, productiveness and civility in furnishing their share of service to the call of their country and humanity.

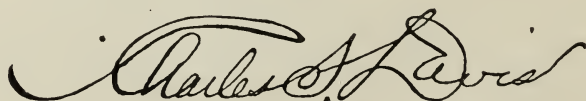
The selfish exploiter who preys upon the minds of the inexperienced, ignorant or superstitious to gain support for revolutionary theories, and fattens on the toil or genius of others, must be exposed as undesirable. In our pursuit of life, liberty and happiness we shall ask for the square deal and the privilege of exercising our rights as free men. The people's welfare is the concern of the Knights of Pythias. Our doctrine, our principles, the human threads that are woven into the fabric of our foundation proclaim justice for all, regardless of class, creed or color. Our perspective shall not be dimmed because of the rantings of the radical or those who prize self above all else, but we shall not slumber serenely on our profession of faith. Pythianism is not the resumption of a dream. We shall be workers for the cause. Those who have been honored by the Supreme Lodge, the Grand Lodges or the Subordinate Lodges are drafted into service as leaders. Before us we behold the light that shines deep into our souls, and pleads evermore that we stand at the gate of duty and opportunity, privileged to serve as was ordained in the creation of the Order.

As a paragon of the Pythian edifice and its refulgent reflection I must quote:

"In splendour bright is rising now the sun,  
And darts his rays: a joyful, happy spouse,  
A giant proud and glad  
To run his measur'd course."

The confidence reposed in me is reciprocated with a heart overflowing with gratitude. The report is now placed before the Supreme Lodge and with it my every good wish to the entire membership.

Fraternally submitted,

A large, elegant handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Charles J. Davis". The signature is written in dark ink and features a prominent, sweeping flourish at the end.

*Supreme Chancellor.*



## OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS

## SUPREME LODGE KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.

OFFICE OF  
THE SUPREME CHANCELLOR.

DENVER, COLORADO, August 30, 1918.

Subject:  
Pythian War Relief Fund.*To the Grand Chancellor and Associate Members of Grand Domain War Relief Councils, and Subordinate Lodges Under Immediate Control.*

Brothers:

The thirtieth regular convention of the Supreme Lodge, held at Detroit, Michigan, adjourned August 17, 1918. This convention will be recorded in Pythian history for its conscientious service and devotion to matters of patriotic and fraternal nature to meet the demands of our Government, and to render relief to our Pythian soldiers, their families and dependents subjected to our care through the ravages of the war, and who are making the supreme sacrifice for the cause of humanity, righteousness and liberty.

The subject of this, my first official communication, is Pythian War Relief. Its importance occupies paramount consideration, hence my desire to advise the membership promptly, through Grand Domain War Relief Councils, of the War Relief measures enacted by the Supreme Lodge.

A Pythian War Relief Commission consisting of seven members of the Supreme Lodge has been established by law. The statute provides and defines its powers and duties. The resolution passed by the Supreme Lodge conforms with the provisions of Section 761 of the said statute and bears directly upon the power of the Supreme Lodge to levy assessments for Pythian War Relief purposes. A copy of the statute and resolution is herewith enclosed.

An analysis of the resolution will disclose that an assessment of one dollar upon each member in the several grand domains is levied upon the respective grand lodges of the Supreme Domain, and upon each subordinate lodge under the immediate control of the Supreme Lodge. Credit, however, against such assessment for the amount of moneys which shall have been contributed to the War Relief Fund, is allowed. The moneys collected are to be paid to the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal of each respective Domain. Lodges under the immediate control of the Supreme Lodge shall remit all moneys collected to the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal. All of the moneys collected from assessments made, or voluntary contributions, must be in the hands of the Supreme Master of Exchequer not later than September 1, 1919.

Continued efforts may be determined upon to raise the full quota, or more, for the War Relief Fund, through the medium of patriotic, voluntary contributions, from the membership, of one dollar or more. Success in this direction will accomplish the result to be attained by the special assessment. If this plan is thought desirable, the Supreme Chancellor recommends the inauguration of a campaign designed as follows:

The division of the lodge membership into groups of ten, with a captain directing the work of visiting each member who has failed to make his contribution to the fund. Non-resident members who have failed to subscribe should be reached through lodges where the brothers are located, the collections made to be remitted to the lodge in which the brother holds membership. To this end, the names and addresses of the non-resident members should be sent to the respective lodges. Members in localities where no lodge exists should be reached through correspondence. Every member will thus have the opportunity of subscribing voluntarily, or be required to meet the assessment.

The week beginning November 25, 1918, should be designated as the period for the Thanksgiving drive. The Pythian War Relief Fund is consonant with all funds created and collected for War Relief purposes, and this drive must be made of equal importance and must receive equal prominence throughout the Supreme Domain. Capable fifteen-minute Pythian speakers should visit lodges, and announcement made in advance of their coming. The press, and every other medium of publicity, must be employed to give this important drive the recognition and prominence it deserves.

The collection of this fund should be made of immeasurable value for patriotic and Pythian education.

The membership has been advised of the necessity of raising this fund. The patriotic and fraternal nature of this great undertaking has already been set forth in former communications. The Supreme Chancellor and the Pythian War Relief Commission will use all of the power at command to insure the success of the undertaking. The order must exalt itself before the world during this grave period in the history of nations and people, as a society thoroughly patriotic and fraternal, and prepared to give service to its membership and their families and dependents,

and to engage in every service for human uplift and victory for social order secured through Democracy as opposed to the enslaving influence of Autocracy.

Let our Patriotism, our Friendship, Charity, and Benevolence ring true in performance, and Pythianism will expand and shower its benedictions throughout the civilized world. This shall be the structure of my administration. Believe me to be

Sincerely and fraternally yours,

CHARLES S. DAVIS,  
*Supreme Chancellor.*

### OFFICIAL DECLARATION OF PRINCIPLES.

Pythian Knighthood had its conception in the exemplification of the life test of true friendship existing between Damon and Pythias.

Friendship, or mutual confidence, being the strongest bond of union between man and man, and only existing where honor has an abiding place, is adopted as a foundation principle.

As the ideal knight of olden time was the personification of all the higher and nobler attributes of man's nature, the candidate for knighthood had to prove himself worthy of acceptance by those who valued friendship, bravery, honor, justice and loyalty.

The Order of Knights of Pythias—founded in Friendship, Charity and Benevolence, which it proclaims as its cardinal principles—strives to gather into one mighty fraternity worthy men who appreciate the true meaning of friendship; who are cautious in word and act; who love truth; who are brave in defending right; whose honor is untarnished; whose sense of justice will prevent, to the best of their ability, a personal act or word injurious to the worthy; whose loyalty to principle, to family, to friends, to their country and to the constituted authority under which they enjoy citizenship is undoubted; and who, at all times are prepared to do unto others as they would that others should do unto them.

### MY MESSAGE.

Lest we forget the great fundamental truths of our fraternal creed, the second communication of the Supreme Chancellor is devoted to Our Declaration of Principles and Our Ritual. The subject of my first official communication was "Pythian War Relief."

No declaration emanating from a government, church or society enunciates a superstructure more basic to support and perpetuate a great institution than those contained in the official Declaration of Principles and the Ritual of the Order.

The Supreme Chancellor urges a more comprehensive understanding of our Declaration of Principles and the Ritual. We believe it will enrich the minds of our membership. It will manifold effort, and awaken the desire to give service to the Order and mankind.

The man is indeed impoverished who refuses to see the light or deny to himself the opportunity to give service to his country and his fellow man. The Order of Knights of Pythias offers this opportunity.

The luminous torch of education and enlightenment are his. No worthy man must be permitted to remain in darkness or obscure himself from the activities of the world where the influence of Pythianism can be made to shine soft and pure into his soul.

A thorough knowledge of the Declaration of Principles and our Ritual are substantial mediums for education, and the Order of Knights of Pythias must lean on this great potentiality in its onward and upward strides in the world's work.

The embodiment of Pythianism is represented in the Declaration of Principles and our sublime Ritual. I submit both as a thesis for the study of the membership of the Order.

The lodge room is dedicated as the sanctum for ritualistic work of the highest efficiency and for the study and debate of improving and elevating subjects. Coming these uplifting activities with events for entertainment and sociability and the membership is furnished with interest and service, which in turn will produce interest and service from the membership.

Pythianism means liberty—not license. Pythianism means education—not agitation. Pythianism personifies Patriotism, Friendship, Charity and Benevolence.

Service of over half a century of resplendent work for mankind has made our Order a permanent institution for human uplift. It is as enduring as the principles upon which it rests.

This message is intended to inspire and encourage still greater effort and its attending reward.

Grand Chancellors are requested to incorporate this official communication in an official circular to the membership through the subordinate lodges of their respective Domains, as a message to the membership from the Supreme Chancellor.

Faithfully and fraternally yours,

CHARLES S. DAVIS,  
*Supreme Chancellor.*

## SUPREME GOVERNMENT KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
DENVER, COLORADO.CHARLES S. DAVIS,  
*Supreme Chancellor,**Official Communication Number 3.*

November, Nineteen Hundred Eighteen

*To All Grand Chancellors, Grand Keepers of Records and Seal and Supreme Representatives.*

Greeting:

I am communicating with all Grand Chancellors, Grand Keepers of Records and Seal and Supreme Representatives in the Supreme Domain upon the important subject of Co-operation and Organization. Success will be attained if we proceed at once to perfect both of these important and needful essentials in the Order of Knights of Pythias.

My observation leads me to believe, as it has other Pythian students, that our Order is seriously defective in its organization work in respective Grand Domains. We must take advantage of the inherent power and service our Order possesses to unfold its greatness to the world and bestow its limitless benefactions upon humanity.

A Grand Chancellor is indeed helpless to carry forward his plans without the co-operation of an every-day organized working force composed of the Grand Lodge officers and the Supreme Representatives. Organization is the only practical basis for unified effort that will insure the growth and influence of our great Order in every Grand Domain. Organizers in several Grand Domains have made a pronounced success. The increase in membership and the returns therefrom more than offsetting the expense attached to the work.

The successful administration of a Grand Chancellor must be written into the record as having been the result of an eminently proficient organization that has been serviceable in procuring constructive results for the Order and producing higher standards, broader influence and noteworthy growth in membership.

It is incumbent upon Grand Chancellors to demand and insist upon organized work among the officers of all subordinate lodges. Deputy Grand Chancellors must be organized into a trained and practical working body to perform the duties assigned by Grand Chancellor. Grand Lodge officers and Supreme Representatives must be organized for active duty and service. When this shall have been accomplished throughout the Supreme Domain we will be engaged more than heretofore in constructive, practical Pythianism.

Addressing myself to the Supreme Representatives, occupying honorable and influential positions as such, I submit we must have your aid and counsel in the every-day work of Pythian endeavor.

I appeal to every Grand Chancellor, Grand Lodge officer and Supreme Representative to perfect a strong, efficient workable organization to carry onward and upward Pythianism as it is intended it should be and must be. There must be no delay.

We have ample evidence to show that it requires infinitely more than oratory or platitudes beautifully expressed by writers or editors to secure the results that we must attain. I do not undervalue the latter, but we must co-ordinate it with actual personal service directed through the power of a unified organization in every Domain.

The powerful influence of organization stands like a Gibraltar back of the potentialities of the Young Men's Christian Association, the Red Cross and other relatively mighty influences in the world's work.

When the Order of Knights of Pythias has perfected its organization throughout the Supreme Domain we shall find ourselves in position influentially, numerically and financially to bring to a reality many of the great enterprises for relief and welfare that the Order of Knights of Pythias must engage in to more completely fulfill its mission as a great fraternity.

In addition to the other objectives, we must commence measures to demand perfection in our ritualistic work. The inefficiency observed is astounding. Our Ritual possesses such marvelous value in teaching and philosophy that its rendition and the attendant ceremonies must be presented in a manner that will impress the novitiate with the lessons taught and the beauty and splendor of our ritualism. We shall then hold him with "hoops of steel."

There must be no place for a subordinate lodge officer who will not perform his duties with dignity, accuracy and impressiveness. The Deputy Grand Chancellor who permits it, or the Master of the Work who allows improper ritualistic work to go unobserved are not competent to hold office.

Notwithstanding views expressed to the contrary, the war period is full of opportunity for the growth of our Order. The two other leading Fraternal Societies are reporting decided increases in membership. This is the reply to the doubter. We can do likewise if the resources of our Order in patriotism, fraternalism, ability, manpower and energy are utilized to their full capacity.

The Supreme Chancellor makes a fervent appeal for constructive Pythianism. For service. For increased membership. The answer shall be the activities in the Domains and the results that are certain of occurrence through the medium of organized, intelligent effort.

Attention is again directed to the Thanksgiving drive for voluntary contributions to the War Relief Fund.

The Supreme Chancellor will give his aid in every possible way in the furtherance of the plans herein proposed and recommended.

Cordially and fraternally yours,  
 CHARLES S. DAVIS,  
*Supreme Chancellor.*

## SUPREME GOVERNMENT KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
 DENVER, COLORADO.

CHARLES S. DAVIS,  
*Supreme Chancellor.*

### THE SUPREME CHANCELLOR'S APPEAL.

*To the Membership of the Order of Knights of Pythias.*

Greeting:

The after-war situation presents a new era in the progress of the world's work, in which the Order of Knights of Pythias must co-operate as a great Fraternal Society. The Supreme Chancellor recognizes the situation and the duty incumbent upon the Order, and is taking advantage of the matchless opportunity for the further development and extension of the Order in the promulgation of this official appeal to the membership, and presents to the Order the slogan to be used in the proposed campaign for membership.

DOUBLE THE MEMBERSHIP. EVERY MEMBER PROCURE A MEMBER.

The appeal of the Supreme Chancellor is directed to every member for the immediate extension of the Order's growth, standing and influence.

The appeal contemplates a league of one and one-half million men enlisted as a mighty unit under the banner and principles of Pythianism to carry onward and upward the Freedom, Democracy, Liberty and Righteousness so valiantly conquered by America and the Allies during the year 1918.

The Order of Knights of Pythias, with its stalwart, magnificent membership and its unsurpassed idealism, possesses the instrumentality for expansive education of determinable value to firmly establish the fundamentals and principles of sound government and constituted authority, and yet continue to remain pronounced exemplars of the fraternalism so beautifully enunciated in our fraternal ethics and the tenets of Friendship, Charity, and Benevolence.

THE WORLD IS IN THE PROCESS OF RECONSTRUCTION.

The victory gained through the grace of the Almighty and the courage, convictions, and patriotism of our men, has reflected itself in arousing the personal ambition of individuals to keep abreast of the period in which we are living to procure educational, economic, social, and fraternal advancement, which our Order possesses and affords its membership.

The opportunity for Pythian development and progress is now unexcelled and we must take advantage of it. The elect of the Continent of America, numbering over four and one-half million men are now in the process of returning home from overseas and the cantonments and camps this side of the Atlantic. It is now evident that the powerful resources of Pythianism must be mobilized and made attractive to the returning heroes, and others in every community to intensify the activities of the Order.

Our hearts must respond to the needs of the hour, our plans unfolded to the world, and the portals of our Castle Halls thrown open to give the home-comers, members and non-members alike, the welcome that rings true of the Friendship, Patriotism, and Fraternalism of the Knights of Pythias. We shall then gather into our fold the returning soldiery, and others to whom we have made our Order attractive.

Within the confines of our Order is to be secured the spirit of chivalry, patriotism, and fraternalism to which the men who have served in the Army and Navy, and other departments of the military service in the cause of their country have become accustomed to.

Our slogan is, Double the Membership. Every Member Procure a Member. The Supreme Chancellor requests this pledge of the membership in the interest of the Order.

LODGES ARE DIRECTED TO ORGANIZE FOR THIS GREAT CAMPAIGN FOR MEMBERSHIP.

Committees that are thoroughly competent and enthusiastic must be appointed. The work must be systematized and the progress made given constant publicity.

The Co-operation and Organization made the subject of the Supreme Chancellor's Official Communication for the month of October, must now be made operative and effective. This applies to the Supreme Lodge officers, Supreme Representatives, Grand Lodge officers, Deputy Grand Chancellors, and subordinate lodge officers.



The success of this campaign will disclose the vitality of the Order. It will reawaken the ardor and enthusiasm of the membership. Dormant lodges will be revived. The membership generally will learn to know the true meaning of the word Pythianism, and will become exponents of the altruistic potentialities of the Order of Knights of Pythias.

The Supreme Chancellor is addressing the entire membership of the Order through the subordinate lodges of the Supreme Domain. This Communication and Appeal is accompanied by an Official Communication of your Grand Chancellor. We are co-operating in the great campaign for membership now inaugurated. Every subordinate lodge and member of the Order must enter into this important undertaking with resolution and unswerving zeal.

THE WORLD MUST KNOW MORE OF THE KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS, PYTHIANISM, AND PYTHIANS.

Nothing must be left undone to secure the success of this campaign. It must be written into the history of the Order of Knights of Pythias that this project has been the most successful ever undertaken by any Fraternal Society. The Supreme Chancellor will expect periodical reports from Grand Chancellors of the progress of the campaign.

With unbounded faith that the entire membership will respond enthusiastically to the appeal of the Supreme Chancellor for the success of the campaign heralded to the Pythian Order with the slogan:

Double the Membership. Every Member Procure a Member.

There will then be enrolled a membership of one and one-half million men in the Order of Knights of Pythias before January 1, 1920, at which time the campaign will be closed. I remain

Faithfully and fraternally yours,

CHARLES S. DAVIS,  
Supreme Chancellor.

#### SUPREME LODGE KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS

January 10, 1919.

*To the Members of the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias.*

Brothers:

The Supreme Chancellor is addressing the members of the Supreme Lodge, Grand Chancellors, and the Grand Keepers of Records and Seal upon the subject fully outlined in the Official Communication enclosed, "The Supreme Chancellor's Appeal," and the inauguration of a campaign for the permanent and substantial extension of the Order during this opportune time for its constructive development.

We are forwarding from this office to all Grand Keepers of Records and Seals, a sufficient number of "The Supreme Chancellor's Appeal," to be mailed to all subordinate lodges in the respective Domains. This communication will be accompanied by an Official Communication from the Grand Chancellor of the Domain.

The Supreme Chancellor is devoutly and earnestly seeking to extend the Order through constructive, practical, and systematic methods. The pledge of the membership of the Supreme Lodge to the Supreme Chancellor at Detroit to aid in the extension, reconstruction, growth and influence of the Order must now be met with service.

We are called upon, and must, to the greatest extent possible, return service to the Order, in appreciation of the honors received. We occupy positions of leadership and distinction. The standing, growth, and influence of our Order is limited only to the extent of our own expression in word and deed in rendering service and counsel to the great fraternal cause our Order represents.

The Pythian Order, so magnificent, altruistic, and practical fundamentally, with principles so accurately attuned with the present day thought for the advancement of civilization, and the betterment of the world and humanity, possesses limitless opportunity for unusual progress at this time. We must take advantage of it.

The light of the Pythian Order must shine. Through the medium of educational and constructive propaganda in matters of publicity, and official visitations over the Supreme Domain, the Supreme Chancellor is very sanguine of satisfactory results in the interest of our splendid fraternity.

Faithfully and fraternally yours,

CHARLES S. DAVIS,  
Supreme Chancellor.

#### SUPREME LODGE KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.

January 10, 1919.

*To All Grand Chancellors, Supreme Domain, Knights of Pythias.*

My dear Grand Chancellor:

Enclosed you will please find a copy of "The Supreme Chancellor's Appeal," my Official Communication addressed to the entire membership of the Order, through the subordinate lodges in the Supreme Domain. Please read it carefully. I am already anticipating the approval of all Grand Chancellors, and the universal verdict throughout the Order, of united and hearty co-operation in making this campaign for membership a signal success.

From the office of the Supreme Chancellor, in Denver, there has been forwarded by express to your Grand Keeper of Records and Seal, a sufficient number of "The Supreme Chancellor's Appeal" for mailing to each of the subordinate lodges in your Domain.

Kindly observe my request in the appeal that Grand Chancellors prepare and promulgate an Official Communication to accompany "The Supreme Chancellor's Appeal" to all subordinate lodges, emphasizing the importance of the great campaign undertaken in the interest of the Order, and insisting upon active work at once.

Permit me to suggest that your communication be brief. The communication from the Supreme Chancellor is rather extended, and it is very important to secure the concentrated attention from the membership when "The Supreme Chancellor's Appeal" is read to the lodge.

The increased membership will prove creditable to your administration, it will be of such moment to the whole Order to register our growth as unprecedented in the history of any Fraternal Society. The light of the Pythian Order must shine. The campaign will be persistent and educational. We shall all work together and win together. Our slogan will be popular. It will aid to success.

Please have your communication in the hands of your Grand Keeper of Records and Seal without delay.

With my kindest personal regards, I remain

Sincerely and fraternally yours,  
 CHARLES S. DAVIS,  
*Supreme Chancellor.*

### SUPREME LODGE KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.

January 10, 1919.

*To All Grand Keepers of Records and Seal in the Supreme Domain.*

Brothers:

I have expressed today to your office a sufficient number of "The Supreme Chancellor's Appeal," my Official Communication, to be mailed from your office to each subordinate lodge in your Grand Domain.

I have also addressed a letter to your Grand Chancellor requesting him to prepare and promulgate his Official Communication to accompany the one from the Supreme Chancellor. I have asked his immediate attention to this important matter.

The Supreme Chancellor feels assured you will give the campaign the benefit of your splendid ability, energy, and enthusiasm, and you will enter the work with heart and soul to insure its success. We will all co-operate in this great undertaking and win together. There is glory enough in the Order of Knights of Pythias for all of us to share alike.

Please mail the Communication to all subordinate lodges promptly. The opportunity for Pythian extension and development is here. We must take advantage of it. The New Year opens up a new era for the application of our best efforts and the achievement of our ambition and purpose.

Kindly accept my sincere greetings.

Faithfully and fraternally yours,  
 CHARLES S. DAVIS,  
*Supreme Chancellor.*

### SUPREME GOVERNMENT KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
 DENVER, COLORADO.

CHARLES S. DAVIS,  
*Supreme Chancellor.*

*Official Communication Number 8.*  
 May, Nineteen Hundred Nineteen.

*To All Grand Chancellors, Grand Keepers of Records and Seal, Members of the Supreme Lodge, and the Order of Knights of Pythias.*

Greeting:

MY APPRECIATION.

The Supreme Chancellor desires to express his sincere appreciation for the excellent service rendered the Order of Knights of Pythias by the Supreme and Grand Lodge officers, and the membership in general throughout the entire Supreme Domain, for the loyal and enthusiastic response accorded

THE APPEAL OF THE SUPREME CHANCELLOR

for the intensification of Pythian activities, and the membership campaign inaugurated by the Supreme Chancellor, and signally announced under the slogan of,

DOUBLE THE MEMBERSHIP. EVERY MEMBER PROCURE A MEMBER.

The slogan has proven to be eminently popular. Daily reports received at this office indicate the growth of the order unprecedented in recent years. The Supreme Chancellor announced the purpose of inaugurating the membership campaign to be *double the membership of the Order and strengthen its power for good and influence in the world's work.* In carrying forward this constructive and progressive movement,

the foremost object to be attained was to procure our added membership from the ranks of our citizenship possessing the genuine qualities of manhood and character, the paramount essentials for membership in the Order of Knights of Pythias. Our Order occupies a position in the fraternal world that must preclude the element of quantity as distinguished from quality.

The membership campaign has been conducted in all of the Grand Domains with the highest degree of dignity, and special attention has been devoted to efficient Ritualism and proficient Rank Work. The membership has been increased through proper selection from among men who will worthily represent the principles of the order, and assist in carrying onward and upward the fraternal movement, the greatest of all factors in bringing to a speedy realization and exaltation the divine injunction,

"PEACE ON EARTH, GOOD WILL TOWARD MEN."

The summer months are upon us. We have accustomed ourselves in the past to vacation periods during this season, and have deemed it proper to suspend active lodge work. The Supreme Chancellor urges that we do not indulge in too much ease during the months ahead, and preceding the fall and winter period of the year, at which time we have also accustomed ourselves to the renewal of lodge activities. We must take advantage of the momentum, now ours, because of the splendid work accomplished in the membership campaign during the past several months, and continue the work with special effort during the summer, and augmenting our lodge work with wholesome, seasonable, and recreational entertainment in which the families of our brothers, and friends, shall participate in common with the members of the order.

I earnestly request and urge Grand Chancellors, and Grand Lodge Officers to seriously consider the recommendations referred to, and communicate officially with the subordinate lodges in their respective domains the outline of a program that will be productive of the continuation of progressive and active lodge work during the summer months. Our efforts to double the membership must be continued uninterruptedly.

#### THE OFFICIAL VISITATIONS OF THE SUPREME CHANCELLOR

have included Grand Lodges and District Conventions in twenty Grand Domains. The influenza epidemic prevalent over the entire country during the latter months of 1918 and the early months of 1919 caused the cancellation of many visitations arranged for at that time; however, it will be observed that the Supreme Chancellor has traveled many thousand miles upon Official Visitations, reaching the assembled hosts and conveying to them the

#### PYTHIAN MESSAGE OF PATRIOTISM AND FRATERNALISM.

The gatherings have been large and enthusiastic. The spirit prevailing quite generally over the entire Supreme Domain presages unusual results, and promises striking progress for our order that represents the principles of all that is *wholly and enduring for the happiness and elevation of mankind.*

The month of May shall find the Supreme Chancellor in the Southland on Official Visitations to Grand Lodges and District Conventions. This journey will include eight domains. Service is the element that spells success. Co-operation will secure for us the united abilities and assistance of those who are earnestly interested, and desire to play their full part in advancing the work and progress of the order.

As a progressive order we are deeply interested in the movements now in process of history making throughout the world. In so doing we do not depart from the functions of fraternalism, nor from the fundamental of our own order and incorporated in the tenets of

#### FRIENDSHIP, CHARITY AND BENEVOLENCE.

The World War terminated with victory for the cause of Liberty, Righteousness and Progress, but developed new and serious problems of an economic and social nature that must be met and solved in a patriotic, broad thinking and orderly manner. The ideals of the highest type of loyalty to flag and country must be invoked. We must stand as a solid phalanx in opposition to any movement that represents, even in the slightest degree, disobedience to law, or challenges the mandates of those lawfully in authority.

The Order of Knights of Pythias is pledged to the undivided support of the Government and the flag that symbolizes so beautifully and profoundly, "Government of the people, by the people, and for the people." This has been proclaimed as the patriotic doctrine of the Knights of Pythias and sustained in the letter and in the spirit.

The Supreme Chancellor urgently requests the members of the Supreme Lodge, the Grand and Subordinate Lodge officers and the membership of the Order to co-ordinate their abilities, and co-operate with the activities, in the altruistic service for Pythian endeavor.

Faithfully and fraternally yours,

CHARLES S. DAVIS,  
Supreme Chancellor.

## SUPREME GOVERNMENT KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
DENVER, COLORADOCHARLES S. DAVIS,  
Supreme Chancellor.

Official Communication Number 14.

October, Nineteen Hundred and Nineteen.

(TO BE READ IN EVERY LODGE.)

*To Chancellor Commanders and Members of All Subordinate Lodges Supreme Domain, Knights of Pythias.*

Brothers:

The Supreme Chancellor would be delighted to visit every Subordinate Lodge in the Supreme Domain and meet the membership. This, of course, is impossible. Consequently, I take the method of communicating directly with every Subordinate Lodge in the promulgation of this Official Communication, which is intended to supplement the activities and to aid Grand Chancellors and Grand Lodge Officers in the important work of the extension of the Order. Our service must be co-operative to be successful. We are co-ordinating the work to procure an evolution towards Pythian Progress unexcelled in the history of the Order.

*Pythian Progress.*—We ask the listening ear of every Pythian. We expect enthusiastic, purposeful response to the call for enlarged service for a Greater Pythianism. "Than the pledged word of a knight there is no higher test of fealty." We ask your sacred pledge and devotion to aid in the campaign for Progressive Pythianism, the great force that represents the truest fraternal democracy known to mankind, and the highest ideals of Patriotism, Fraternalism and Humanitarianism.

*Our Mission Is Divine and Creative.*—Pythianism embraces the covenant, destructive of greed, selfishness, egotism and hatred. Love for mankind is the basis of our doctrine and philosophy.

*Pythian Patriotism.*—The mighty membership and overwhelming resources of the Order of Knights of Pythias is pledged to the government by the Supreme Chancellor to render substantial aid in the reconstruction work in which the country is engaged. As was expected, the closing of the world's war produced serious economic problems that require, in their solution the application of earnest patriotism, and if need be, our full measure of personal sacrifice. There must be no surrender in spirit or word to the unjustifiable demands of individuals or groups who dare to challenge the government and law and order. *Our fraternity stands for equality, and is unalterably opposed to class government.* Our efforts shall be directed to perpetuate "Government of the people, by the people, and for the people." To sustain this manner of government our boys made the supreme sacrifice. We shall now dedicate our lives to defend and preserve the principles for which they died. This declaration is the embodiment of Pythian Patriotism.

*Other Functions of the Order* of a charitable and benevolent nature are to be carried forward without stint and shall not be limited to the Pythian household. *Our Friendship, Charity and Benevolence* belong to and shall be served to all humanity. The world does not belong to us; we belong to the world. Our duty is wide spread.

*Education and Advanced Civilization.* The terms are analogous. The one only supersedes the other. Our Order shall engage its powerful influence in advocating, promulgating and approving educational enterprises and other mediums for human uplift. The prevention and eradication of evils of every nature are proper subjects for address in Castle Hall in common with the wide range of topics for education easily accessible.

*Lodge Room Environment* is a matter of vital importance to the success of every Subordinate Lodge. Castle Halls should be attractively arranged and furnished. Good ventilation, cleanliness and godliness are first aids to happiness.

*The Ritualistic Ceremonies* of the Order must be rendered profoundly and with the greatest degree of efficiency. Castle Halls must possess ample accommodations to carry on the work properly. Wholesome lodge room environment is an inducement for regular attendance and in addition provides intellectual compensation for a night well spent with the membership.

*The Cipher Ritual.* Lodges must be provided with Cipher Rituals. Classes must be formed to study this Ritual and receive proper instruction in the use of this important and recent addition to the publications of the Order, authorized by the Supreme Lodge. The day of the use of the printed Rituals in lodge rooms has expired. The Order shall possess only one Ritual, and that shall be the Cipher Ritual. *The printed Rituals will be abolished by the Supreme Lodge and destroyed.* Proficiency of Subordinate Lodge officers must be measured by their genuine ability to serve the lodge properly. *To be elected to office in the Subordinate Lodge is an honor and distinction.* This value placed upon office holding will prevent indifferent men from securing office and the work of the lodge will become thoroughly efficient and interesting. The ideas of the Order are advancing. Our ideals are taking first place in the new Pythian era. "Forward" is the motto.

*Membership—The Source of Supply.* Under this topic the Supreme Chancellor desires to emphasize particularly that the first essential to lodge membership is quality. *Applicants for membership in the Order of Knights of Pythias must represent sterling qualities of manhood and the highest type of respectability. None others should be solicited or should be permitted to become members.* The Knights of Pythias lodge in



every community must be regarded as a group of men of character, interested in public welfare and in all matters for the common good. If any sacrifice is made it should be in numbers; not in quality. The Supreme Chancellor unhesitatingly makes the statement, however, we can enlist in the service of the Pythian cause without limitation, *larger membership combined with the quality we shall exact. To this end the Supreme Chancellor appeals to the entire membership of the Order to support the campaign for increased numbers under the slogan of*

*"DOUBLE THE MEMBERSHIP. EVERY MEMBER PROCURE A MEMBER."*

The members are not limited, however, to securing of one application. Our object is to increase our source of supply in man-power and correspondingly in financial resources to carry to a successful conclusion the plans for the proposed Greater Pythianism.

*Constructive Pythianism.* Having enlisted our service for the extension and intensification of Pythian endeavor in behalf of humanity, we shall commence constructively by laying well and permanently the foundation upon which shall rest the future benefactions of Pythian Knighthood. We shall be prepared to engage in and exercise to the fullest extent all of the functions for relief and patriotic, educational and social work that properly belongs to and should be carried forward on an enlarged scale by the Knights of Pythias. Through our works we shall command the respect, consideration and attention of the world. This is our rightful position in the fraternal sun.

*Past Achievements of the Order* are replete with splendor. Our accomplishments have made a deep impression upon the body politic of the people. The character of our membership is unsurpassed. We have covered half a century of our existence with 7,000 lodges and 725,000 members. Our financial resources represent the sum of over \$21,000,000, and our contributions for relief and other benevolent expenditures during the 54 years of our fraternal journey in behalf of mankind will total over \$50,000,000. Pythianism is as solid as the rock of Gibraltar. The future opens up new avenues of human progress in which the Order of Knights of Pythias will engage its service. We enter the new era in the world's history prepared to do our part in the constructive work before us.

*Lodge Activities for the Coming Fall and Winter* are sure to be of a decided nature in all of the Subordinate Lodges in the Supreme Domain. The Supreme Chancellor would suggest the following program for special occasions:

FIRST. *Roll Call of Membership Night.* To this function every member at home should be urged to attend and the absent ones requested to respond by mail.

SECOND. *Father and Son Night.* Every member on this occasion should invite his son or sons.

THIRD. *Family Night.* This occasion should be devoted to members of the Order and their families.

FOURTH. *Community Night.* This special occasion should be devoted to the entertainment of members of the Order, their friends, neighbors and others.

*Committee on Instruction and Entertainment.* The Supreme Statute makes the appointment of this committee obligatory on the Chancellor Commander. The social and instructive features of the lodge must be placed in the hands of this committee, whose duty it is to arrange suitable programs to carry out to the fullest extent instructive and entertaining features to add to the progress of the lodge.

*Summary and Conclusion.* The measure of service of a Pythian is a thorough commitment to the work of the Order and a keen desire to serve mankind. We must strive to increase our fold. *To this end every member should procure at least another member.* The greater the membership, the greater our ability to serve. A membership of at least two million men bound by the sacred ties of Pythian Brotherhood means much in the forward march of civilization.

*The Supreme Chancellor Requests* that this communication be read at two meetings of the lodge, and the members be officially notified when this message from the Supreme Chancellor will be communicated to the membership. I ask your earnest co-operation to aid your Grand Lodge officers and the Supreme Chancellor in every way possible in the forward movement of the Order.

The Supreme Chancellor requests the keeper of records and seal of the lodge to acknowledge the receipt of this communication. For this purpose a postal card is enclosed. I desire to be advised of the dates when this message from the Supreme Chancellor was read, the number of members in attendance, and number of members initiated thus far during the year 1919. *Please return the card promptly.*

With all good wishes, I remain,

Faithfully and fraternally yours,

CHARLES S. DAVIS,  
Supreme Chancellor.

## SUPREME GOVERNMENT KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

DENVER, COLORADO, September Thirtieth, 1919.

CHARLES S. DAVIS,

Supreme Chancellor.

*Communication Addressed to All Members of the Supreme Lodge.*

You will please find enclosed the Supreme Chancellor's Official Communication No. 14. This communication has been sent direct from the office of the Supreme Chancellor to every lodge in the Supreme Domain, the purpose of this being to give

the Subordinate Lodges complete evidence of the interest taken in the Subordinate Lodge work by the Supreme Lodge, and in addition to this to disclose the co-operation existing between Grand Lodge officers and the Supreme Chancellor. In this way we hope to procure the Pythian progress we are all striving for in the interest of a greater fraternity. I believe the opportunity for the Order of Knights of Pythias to advance beyond measure is unexcelled at this time.

We desire thorough co-operation on the part of Supreme Lodge officers, Grand Lodge officers and Supreme Representatives to carry forward the movement to increase our membership and influence as a great fraternity. I sincerely hope that Grand Chancellors will inaugurate a system to bring about the co-operation suggested. This is a matter which must be taken up in Grand Domains to be successful.

The Supreme Chancellor has already visited thirty-three Grand Domains, attending Grand Lodge conventions or district conventions. The outlook is splendid. The reports received at my office from nearly every Grand Domain indicate an era of prosperity in the Order unparalleled in its history. I am devoting my entire time to the work, with the hope that I shall be able to render a very satisfactory report of services rendered to the Supreme Lodge at its 1920 convention.

Constructive Pythianism has been my objective and I have adopted every means at my command to strengthen the Order in the matter of increased members, quality, intensified influence, greater service and improved work.

I would be pleased to have an acknowledgment of the receipt of this letter, and my official communication, and would appreciate your views with respect to the Order.

With my kindest personal regards, I remain,

Sincerely and fraternally yours,

CHARLES S. DAVIS,  
Supreme Chancellor.

#### SUPREME GOVERNMENT KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

CHARLES S. DAVIS,  
Supreme Chancellor.

DENVER, COLORADO, October Third, 1919.

*Communication Addressed to All Grand Chancellors in the Supreme Domain.*

I enclose a copy of the Supreme Chancellor's Communication No. 14. This communication has been sent direct from the office of the Supreme Chancellor to every lodge in your Grand Domain.

You will observe that I have undertaken to bring the campaign for membership to the attention of every lodge, supplementary only to the work of the Grand Lodge officers of each respective Domain, the purpose being to give complete evidence of the co-operation of the Supreme Chancellor with the Grand Lodge officers for the extension of the Order.

I believe, through the co-operation of the Supreme Chancellor with the Grand Lodge officers, we shall have a growth in membership and influence unparalleled in the history of the Order. The movement is well under way and we need now only to intensify it through our personal activities and the procuring of the services of every member in the interest of the greater Pythianism before us.

"Double the Membership. Every member procure a member," the slogan of the Supreme Chancellor, is meeting with hearty response over the Supreme Domain.

I kindly request that you follow up the Supreme Chancellor's Official Communication No. 14 with one of your own, giving your hearty support to the movement and giving such other counsel as you deem advisable to procure the results that we are all striving for in behalf of our Order.

This is the time to make fraternalism felt in the affairs of the world. The Order of Knights of Pythias will do its full part in the readjustments before us.

Hoping I shall have a prompt acknowledgment of this letter, and with my kindest personal regards, I remain,

Faithfully and fraternally yours,

CHARLES S. DAVIS,  
Supreme Chancellor.

#### SUPREME GOVERNMENT KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

CHARLES S. DAVIS,  
Supreme Chancellor.

DENVER, COLORADO, September Thirtieth, 1919.

*Communication Addressed to All Grand Keepers of Records and Seal.*

I enclose copy of the Supreme Chancellor's Official Communication No. 14. This communication has been sent direct from the office of the Supreme Chancellor to every lodge in your Domain.

We have determined upon this method to give sterling evidence of the co-operation existing between the Supreme Chancellor and the Grand Lodge officers in behalf of a greater Pythianism.

It occurred to me that the subordinate lodges would regard with delight receiving attention direct from the Supreme Chancellor, to supplement the work of the Grand Lodge officers.

We can double the membership of our Order if we engage in this project with all of the enthusiasm, energy and ability we possess. The movement is well started over the Supreme Domain for a decided campaign to increase our membership, resources and influence under the slogan of "*Double the Membership. Every member procure a member.*"

The Grand Lodge officers and the Supreme Chancellor are working together, and will win together, for the advancement of Pythianism. The Supreme Chancellor's Official Communication draws attention to the conditions now existing that demand the application of the highest type of fraternalism. The Order of Knights of Pythias must and will play its part.

I am communicating with your Grand Chancellor, requesting that he follow up the Supreme Chancellor's Communication to the subordinate lodges with an official letter supporting the campaign for membership and giving such other counsel as may be deemed advisable in the matter of Pythian growth and extension. I am sure I have your hearty support and approval of the plans adopted by the Supreme Chancellor to bring success to our efforts in behalf of Pythian fraternity.

Hoping I shall have a prompt acknowledgment of this letter, and with my kindest personal regards, I remain,

Sincerely and fraternally yours,

CHARLES S. DAVIS,  
Supreme Chancellor.

## SUPREME GOVERNMENT KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
DENVER, COLORADO

CHARLES S. DAVIS,  
Supreme Chancellor.

*Official Communication Number 15.*

April, Nineteen Twenty.

*To the Officers and Members of the Supreme Lodge, and Grand Chancellors, Officers and Members of Grand Lodges, Knights of Pythias.*

Brothers:

The Supreme Chancellor in this Official Communication is addressing those in the Order whom the body politic of the membership, through the system of representation, have selected to the highest positions of leadership and responsibility in guiding the splendidly equipped Pythian edifice to greater and grander deeds in behalf of mankind.

The Supreme Chancellor has conveyed his Pythian message and appeal to the very threshold of Pythianism in reaching the membership through the extended Official Visitations made over the Supreme Domain. We have had the pleasure of visiting forty-six Grand Domains, and before the convening of the Supreme Lodge convention on the second Tuesday in August of this year, every domain in the Supreme Domain will have been visited by the Supreme Chancellor at Grand Lodge conventions or special district conventions, or both.

The Supreme Chancellor has had the opportunity of making a survey of the Order from every angle, and cherishes the view that it occupies an important and exalted position among fraternal societies, and is generally recognized and respected as a factor in the world's work in addition to the splendid service rendered to the membership.

The service of the Order of Knights of Pythias to humanity, our uplift activities, our endeavors in behalf of Patriotism and Democracy, our altruistic doctrines of fraternalism, the splendid and commendable institutions already erected and maintained by Grand Domains for the care of the widows and orphans of our departed brothers, and homes for the aged and indigent members of the Order, are the laurels in the immortal wreath which is entwined around and about Pythian Knighthood, and is the answer of what the Order stands for and has accomplished during the fifty-six years of its existence.

So much for the past. We enter now upon a new era in the affairs of mankind, with changed conditions and problems confronting the entire world. The Order of Knights of Pythias must and will accept the added responsibilities in relief, civic, social and fraternal matters, and proceed to plan a program of activities suitable to and commensurate with the high standing of the Order.

In considering a program we must start basicaly and through the subordinate lodges. It is admittedly important that immediate steps must be taken to organize every subordinate lodge in the Supreme Domain into an efficient and workable unit to carry forward all of the functions in which the lodges are capable of rendering service. This must receive the leadership which has been very largely entrusted to the experience and ability of the members of the Supreme Lodge and the Grand Lodges, and more particularly to the officers thereof. The organization work will naturally be co-operative and should be commenced immediately.

The Supreme Lodge and Grand Lodges are designed to be the legislative branches of the Order. Through the subordinate lodge system of the Order, however, is the work of Pythianism accomplished. We shall materially lessen our concern about suspensions for non-payment of dues when every subordinate lodge is organized into a practical, workable unit for service, and the membership in the Supreme Domain become personally interested in the work of the Order and are called upon to contribute their individual service to the cause we represent.

*Business management* in conducting the affairs of every lodge is imperative. Every lodge should possess a special fund reserved for charitable, beneficent, educational and patriotic purposes for general use. The Order in its expansion must reach out and apply its benefactions for human advancement and relief without placing limitations that it shall be confined within the Order.

*Grand Lodges in the main legislate wisely.* Their ability to serve depends very largely upon the condition of the subordinate lodges in the respective domain and the resources at their command.

*The Supreme Lodge is truly representative* of the splendid host of Pythians comprising the Order. Conservative in its actions and influenced in its direction and legislation by the conditions prevailing in the Order generally, it possesses conferred powers and commands the confidence of the membership at large. The Order is making unusual progress and is awake to the spirit of the day. The Supreme Lodge shall have the opportunity at the next convention to consider plans for the extension of the Order, and assume greater obligations for the further advancement of the Order.

*The Supreme Chancellor recommends* a program which shall include an inventory of all of the forces and resources of the Order, following which there should be a functioning of all of the forces and resources at command into channels so widespread, helpful and constructive when in operation, so as to bring the extended work of the Order to the attention of the membership and those who are not members. We shall receive merited commendation and admiration for the service given by the Knights of Pythias for the advancement of civilization and for the relief of the needy and distressed.

*This situation will prevail* through the counsel and aid subordinate lodges will receive from Supreme and Grand Lodge officers and the members of those bodies. We shall expect constructive legislative action, and in those placed in positions of leadership and influence we shall repose our faith to give to the subordinate lodges their full meet of personal service for the extension of the usefulness of our fraternity. Our vision has broadened. Our desire to serve has been quickened. Our objective is, *A Greater Pythianism.*

Faithfully and fraternally yours,

CHARLES S. DAVIS,  
Supreme Chancellor.

## SUPREME GOVERNMENT KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
DENVER, COLORADO

CHARLES S. DAVIS,  
Supreme Chancellor.

### SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SUPREME CHANCELLOR

April First, Nineteen Twenty.

*To the Officers and Members of the Supreme Lodge, and Grand Chancellors, Officers and Members of Grand Lodges, Knights of Pythias.*

Brothers:

The Supreme Chancellor delights at this time to give to the Order, through those above addressed, the important and gratifying information, to-wit:

Reports received from forty-four (44) Grand Domains show a net increase of membership for the calendar year 1919 of *over forty thousand* (40,000) members.

We have yet to hear from eleven Domains, and believe when the reports from these domains are in we will be able to show a *net increase of over fifty thousand* (50,000) members for the calendar year 1919. Do not feel surprised if the increase of membership during the present administration shows the *magnificent total of seventy-five thousand* (75,000) up to June 30th, 1920; the greatest increase of membership ever recorded in the history of the Order, during a like period of time, the result of which will be the addition of millions of dollars to the general resources of the Order to carry forward the greater work for a Greater Pythianism.

This phenomenal increase is the remarkable evidence of the progress of the Order, and as expressed by a distinguished Pythian, "A regular landslide in and for Pythianism." Brothers, *we have reasons to congratulate ourselves on the results of the present activities in the Order.*

The Supreme Chancellor conveys this Special Message to the membership for *general rejoicing throughout the Order.* The Knights of Pythias has entered with full glory upon the new era of Pythian progress. *Let there be no reason in the future to discuss the whys and wherefores of membership losses.* Let us all give our service for the continuation of the good work.

The Supreme Chancellor requests that *Grand Chancellors convey the good news to the entire membership.* We shall report later the total increase when all of the domains have finally reported.

Faithfully and fraternally yours,

CHARLES S. DAVIS,  
Supreme Chancellor.



SUPREME GOVERNMENT KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.  
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

OFFICIAL PROCLAMATION

Changing Date of the Thirty-First Regular Convention of the Supreme Lodge  
From August 3, 1920, to August 10, 1920.

*To All Members of the Supreme Lodge.*

Greeting:

WHEREAS, Numerous requests were received by the Supreme Chancellor from members of the Supreme Lodge urging that the date of the Thirty-first Regular Convention, to be held in Minneapolis, be "postponed one week"—that is, changed "from the first Tuesday in August, 1920, to the second Tuesday of said month;" and

WHEREAS, This subject matter was referred to each officer of the Supreme Lodge, and by them unanimously approved; and

WHEREAS, This question of changing the date of the convention was submitted to a referendum vote of the Supreme Representatives, in which referendum the reasons for desiring the change were fully set forth, with the result that only five (5) negative votes were received;

Now, THEREFORE, by reason of the almost unanimous vote that such change be made, official notice hereby is given to each Supreme Lodge officer, Past Supreme Chancellor and Supreme Representative that the Thirty-First Regular Convention of the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias will convene in the City of Minneapolis, Grand Domain of Minnesota, commencing Tuesday, August 10, 1920, instead of Tuesday, August 3, 1920, as originally designated at the convention of 1918. All members of the Supreme Lodge will govern themselves accordingly.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, attested by the Great Seal of the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias, and the signature of the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal, this 15th day of March, 1920, P. P. LVII.

Attest:

FRED E. WHEATON,  
S. K. R. S.

CHARLES S. DAVIS,  
Supreme Chancellor.

SUPREME GOVERNMENT KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS  
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

CHARLES S. DAVIS,

Supreme Chancellor.

DENVER, COLORADO, January 19, 1920.

Communication addressed to each member of the Supreme Lodge in relation to the change of holding Convention of the Supreme Lodge from the first Tuesday in August, to the second Tuesday in August, 1920.

We enter upon the New Year with many unsolved problems before us, the aftermath of the World War. In the solution of these momentous difficulties, the Order of Knights of Pythias can furnish valuable aid towards the equitable and speedy adjustments which must ensue to make secure the happiness and prosperity of the people. The attention of the membership of the Order has been sternly directed by the Supreme Chancellor, to the doctrines of Patriotism and Fraternity expounded in the principles of Pythianism. Our Order strongly upholds the Government and constituted authority, and to the end that our institutions shall not be desecrated, and law and order shall be sustained, the Order of Knights of Pythias can be relied upon to render full measure of service.

The Supreme Chancellor has visited forty-one Grand Domains, and expects to visit every Grand Domain before the Supreme Lodge Convention. We have endeavored to create, and have succeeded in causing a closer relationship between the subordinate lodges, the Grand Lodges, and the Supreme Lodge. The extended visitations of the Supreme Chancellor at District Conventions and Grand Lodge Conventions, is fully appreciated by the membership at large, and is generally commended.

The indications are decidedly favorable that the year 1919 was one of the most successful years in behalf of the growth and influence of the Order ever experienced in the annals of Pythianism.

Moved by the general expression observed, and the requests received that action should be taken to change the time of holding the 1920 Convention of the Supreme Lodge, from the first Tuesday in August to the second Tuesday in August, the Supreme Chancellor submitted the proposal to the officers of the Supreme Lodge for consideration as required under the Supreme Statutes. The Supreme Lodge officers have given their consent and approval to the proposed change. The Supreme Chancellor, however, desires also the views of the members of the Supreme Lodge respecting the change authorized by the Supreme Lodge officers.

The enclosed copy of the communication submitted to the officers of the Supreme Lodge is self-explanatory. The importance of an immediate reply is urged upon every member of the Supreme Lodge and will be expected by the Supreme Chancellor.

May the New Year and the years to come bring many joys to you and yours.

Faithfully and fraternally yours,

CHARLES S. DAVIS,  
Supreme Chancellor.

[COPY.]

January 10, 1920.

Brothers:

IN RE CHANGE OF TIME OF CONVENTION OF THE SUPREME LODGE FROM THE FIRST TUESDAY IN AUGUST, 1920, BEING THE THIRD OF AUGUST, TO THE SECOND TUESDAY IN AUGUST, 1920, BEING THE 10TH DAY OF AUGUST, 1920.

I am this day communicating with each officer of the Supreme Lodge, to procure consent to the change of time of holding the Convention of the Supreme Lodge, as above indicated. The reasons assigned for the request may be briefly stated as follows:

The complaints being registered at this office, also generally heard by me in my travels over the Supreme Domain, in opposition to the Convention being held beginning with August 3, are that it seriously interferes with business and other matters requiring attention the latter part of and the beginning of each month. This would be avoided if the Convention were held on the second Tuesday in August.

The Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal, Brother Wheaton, agrees to and approves the change, and informs me that insofar as his office is concerned, it would be of decided advantage if the change would be made, for the very good reason that, with the opening date fixed for August 3, he will be seriously crowded in getting out his financial and other reports, and he could not hope to get July claims entered and approved in the few days prior to the opening of the Convention. This situation is one for serious consideration.

Brother Wheaton informs me that the change of date meets with the approval of the Executive Committee at Minneapolis, having in charge all matters pertaining to the holding of the Supreme Lodge Convention, and we believe this Committee would prefer to have the Convention changed to the 10th day of August, to meet the convenience of all concerned.

The observation is made that when the time was fixed at Detroit for the 1920 Convention, a calendar of this year was not to be had, and it was assumed that the first Tuesday in August would fall on about the 6th or 7th of the month; also when it was discovered that the first Tuesday was the 3rd of the month, the information brought keen disappointment to many members of the Supreme Lodge.

The Supreme Chancellor approves of the change proposed, and, in fact, regards it infinitely important that it should be made, and trusts that the Supreme Lodge officers will heartily agree to the change, and so recommend.

I enclose stamped envelope for an immediate reply. It is necessary that this be done, in order to get the results of the referendum to the Executive Committee having in charge all matters relating to the Convention at Minneapolis, also the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal and the membership of the Supreme Lodge.

Sincerely and fraternally yours,

CHARLES S. DAVIS,  
Supreme Chancellor.

## SUPREME GOVERNMENT KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
DENVER, COLORADO.

CHARLES S. DAVIS,  
Supreme Chancellor.

Official Communication Number 16.  
May, Nineteen Hundred Twenty

To the Members of All Subordinate Lodges Supreme Domain Knights of Pythias.  
Brothers:

At this moment the Order is to be congratulated on the phenomenal increase of membership recorded for the calendar year of 1919. The total net increase for the year is over 47,000 members, and further, it is our judgment that the record will show a net increase of more than 75,000 members for the term ending with June 30, 1920. The most remarkable growth in the history of the Order for the same period of time. The slogan of the Supreme Chancellor, "Double the Membership. Every Member procure a Member," was accepted everywhere, and while we did not double our membership, we are going in that direction, and are sure to succeed if the present work is continued.

The increased membership increases the assets of our Order many millions of dollars which provides for the extension of the work of Friendship, Charity and Benevolence allotted to Pythianism, and assists in completing its mission as a great Fraternal Society.

The slogan of "Service" has permeated the hearts of Pythians everywhere in the Supreme Domain. The manpower of the Order is awakened to the great mission of our Fraternalism.

In the new era of Pythianism we shall increase our influence and membership, and perform even greater service to mankind.

The growth of the Departments and Auxiliaries of the Order is paralleling the general progress of the Order.

## INSURANCE DEPARTMENT.

This branch of the Order is accepted for its full worth. It was created and designed for protecting the homes of the loved ones and dependents of members of our Order. Membership in the Insurance Department stabilizes the membership in the subordinate lodges, and creates a deeper interest in behalf of all of the benefactions of the Order. It is important, therefore, that all subordinate lodges should have a sincere concern in the Insurance Department of the Order of Knights of Pythias, and encourage the acceptance of the insurance offered to the membership at reasonable rates and on plans to meet their needs.

Its management is conservative and sound. Its business is conducted with efficiency. It is endorsed by all of the State Insurance Commissioners. Its standing parallels any of the Old Line Companies or Fraternal Insurance Societies.

The financial resources represent the magnificent sum total of over \$11,000,000 invested in the best securities purchasable. Insurance in force is more than \$102,000,000. The amount paid to beneficiaries is nearly \$47,000,000 and in addition to this, the sum of \$2,300,000 has been credited to Certificate Holders in Waived Payments. Over 26,000 homes have received the protection of the Insurance Department of the Order since its organization in 1877. No Old Line Company or Fraternal Insurance Society can claim a better record.

Your attention is called to the Insurance Department and its important relation to the Order of Knights of Pythias.

## MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

During the war no forward movement in this branch of our Order could be expected. We directed our activities to aiding in winning the war. We are informed that new companies are being organized in many localities of the Supreme Domain, and old companies are being strengthened. The new entrants into the Order, composed as they are of vigorous young manhood, will make splendid acquisitions to the Military Branch of the Order, and it is thus to be hoped that we shall again find this great citizen soldiery of Pythianism marching forward to success in the near future.

## PYTHIAN SISTERS.

The altruistic and genuine service of this auxiliary of the Order emphasized its usefulness during the war. Our Pythian Womanhood sacrificed and served. Their work was commended everywhere. Temples are now being instituted throughout the Supreme Domain. The helpfulness of this auxiliary of the Order to the lodges is exercised to a remarkable degree. The Supreme Lodge made no mistake in recognizing the Sisterhood as an auxiliary of our great Fraternity. This organized force for the good of the Order is deserving of the support of the membership.

## KNIGHTS OF KHORASSAN.

During the last six months of 1919, there were more than 10,000 members added to this auxiliary of Pythianism, and its growth is continuing, notwithstanding the increase of the initiation fee to \$25.00. The Knights of Khorassan is the great Pythian Shrine for sociability. Not a playground, but where our members effervesce in comradeship and fellowship. We who are D. O. K. K.'s know full well the warmth of the Dokey handshake.

In closing this communication to the entire membership of the Order, the Supreme Chancellor desires to endorse the Departments and Auxiliaries of the Order. They should be made topics of interest and be reviewed at every lodge meeting. The wondrous results of co-operation and co-ordination among them will lay even stronger foundations for the future growth of the Order.

From the subordinate lodges emanate the resources of the Order, and from which generate into the branches and auxiliaries of the Order the life and influence they possess. The Supreme Chancellor devoutly appeals to every member to take advantage of the present awakening for a Greater Pythianism. The increased membership is the greatest evidence that can be afforded of what we can do. Mankind needs our service. We are prepared to respond to the calls of humanity and our country. Our Fraternalism and Patriotism are valuable acquisitions in behalf of the future progress of civilization.

The Supreme Chancellor requests that this Official Communication be read with care and consideration in every subordinate lodge in the Supreme Domain, and from it will be found topics for discussion for the general good of the Order.

With my personal regards and all good wishes,

Sincerely and fraternally,

CHARLES S. DAVIS,  
Supreme Chancellor.

## Biennial Report of the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seals

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MINNEAPOLIS, July 28, 1920, P. P. LVII.

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Each recurring biennium in the general scheme of Pythian government and history, affords the pleasurable duty of reviewing the Order's progress as term by term we chronicle experience between the regular conventions of the Supreme Lodge, learn the lessons thereof, meet the varying conditions that arise, concern ourselves with the ever-changing issues and forms of activity, and endeavor by reason of such experience to profit by the lessons learned, and unite our efforts and thoughts in shaping a future that shall make for a higher and greater destiny in the arts and influences of modern knighthood. Age must be progression. Every epoch of life is a stepping stone to betterment and improvement. The progress of time means advancement, and the lacking thereof forebodes decay. Every great institution of an educational and humanitarian character advances with the running of time, and no hand can stay this natural law of progress.

Pythian knighthood today is vastly more important than at any time since its influence first was joined in the high calling of human welfare—and this will be its experience as the years shall come and go, and as men shall become more and more wedded to its great work and mission in the society of true service to mankind. Glorious as has been its record for fifty-six years, the biennium now taking its place in history has been one of the most important, most progressive, most fruitful, and, withal, more comprehensive in its activities and viewpoint, than for any like period since its star commenced to shine in the firmament of humanitarian activities. We may rejoice with becoming pride when we review the record of the past two years. The official reports submitted for careful consideration mean vastly more than the perfunctory performance of duty—they are presented as messages for consideration and study by that larger membership which constitutes the citizenship of the Order.

With special reference to the Supreme Chancellor and his official report, also the report from this office, by reason of the vast number of subjects that require consideration, review and presentation, these biennial messages have necessarily been drawn out to such length that it is quite impossible for all members of the Supreme Lodge to carefully and thoroughly digest them within the limited time between their publication and the convening of the biennial convention. It must not be overlooked, however, that these reports combine two prime requirements, viz.: the record of stewardship and conditions that must be considered by the immediate convention, and the collation for preservation of the running history of the Order.



## ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP STATEMENTS.

While there is no specific requirement by statute that the commonly known "preliminary reports" shall be published immediately following the compilation of annual membership statistics—save and except the mid-term report dealing with the business affairs of the Supreme Lodge at the ending of each fiscal year—it has been our pleasure to publish membership statements and messages regularly, as annual reports from grand lodges and outlying subordinate lodges have been received and compiled. This has been done for the purpose of giving to the Order the latest and most current information, as the record for each succeeding year is written. The two preliminary reports for the intervening years between our last biennial convention, and the fiscal year report for the year ended June 30, 1919, will appear in full in the forthcoming official record, but we feel that it would not be inappropriate to here refer, specifically, to each of these statements.

Under date of May 8, 1919, there was published a general membership statement showing the gains and losses for the preceding calendar year, at which time attention was called to the havoc wrought by suspensions for a period of ten years, with special portions entitled, "Widespread Activity Prevailing," "The Paramount Pythian Need," and an outline of a "Constructive Program Necessary" for the future well-being of the Order. We select for reproduction at this time the following excerpt treating upon the duty of the Order at large to "cultivate an atmosphere of enterprise":

The Order of Knights of Pythias must have some higher objective than the mere ambition to enroll members. Experience has taught, and more especially during the past ten years, that we cannot afford to rely solely upon the ambition and energy of lodges to conduct membership campaigns merely for the purpose of hurriedly initiating many thousands of recruits. We are confronted with the hard, cold fact that our losses are exceeding the gains, and that we have yet to discover and fix upon some higher objective—some plan of action, some fixed purpose, some plane of communion and unity, that shall stem the suspension flood, interest the membership, and more firmly establish this order in the fabric of human welfare.

Our first duty is to cultivate an atmosphere of enterprise—that character of enterprise that shall denominate this order as a leader in fraternal endeavor. As a direct result of the world war, we must be more outspoken in teaching patriotism—not merely the voicing of platitudes, but by concrete examples and direct influence in every community where the Pythian altar is established. We must give more heed to things that have to do with community, state and national welfare. Our membership must be educated, co-ordinated and enthused to a higher recognition of Pythian responsibility, individually and collectively, to the end that it shall be known of all men that this Order squarely stands for, and supports, the highest ideals of citizenship and human welfare. As an Order, we must be more closely identified with the great affairs of life—fraternally, socially and morally—and above all, that in every endeavor and relation, the Order's influence for good shall not be confined merely among ourselves, but shall broaden to the wider field of larger service.

The fiscal year report for the year ended June 30, 1919, was published on July 30 of that year, largely dealing with the financial and business affairs of the Supreme Lodge, and including the quarterly reports of the committee on finance. The following observation was made with reference to "Fall Season Activities":

Fully realizing that the Order at large is now enjoying greater prosperity than has been experienced for many years, it behooves every subordinate lodge to take full advantage of prevailing conditions to the end that the "harvest of good work" shall be accelerated to the utmost during the coming "fall and winter season." Each lodge that has not already done so, should at once appoint a committee on "new members," said committees to be composed of members who are alive and alert, and who, in other activities, will not subordinate quality to quantity in the introduction of applicants for the ranks. The collection of dues is decidedly an important matter, and a committee on "suspended and delinquent members" should promptly be appointed in every lodge where conditions require that special attention be given to this work aside from the regular procedure. To do that character of "work" that should be the pride of every lodge, the injunction, "put your house in order," should be the aim of each lodge. Responsibility in this direction lies primarily upon the officers of the lodge. Thoroughness in conducting all ceremonies of initiation should be the outstanding ambition in portraying the Order's ritualism, and in this con-

nection the instruction and examination of candidates in each rank should not be slighted in a single instance. Aside from its private affairs, such as conferring ranks, each and every lodge should make itself a factor for "service" and its home community—an indispensable force in public and patriotic endeavor. An outstanding feature of Pythian progression was emphasized in the legislation of the Supreme Lodge Convention of 1918 directing each subordinate lodge to appoint a "committee on entertainment," to provide from time to time lectures, addresses, debates, etc., that will be instructive, interesting and elevating to the membership. When properly carried out, the good influences of such programs will tend to establish each lodge as a dominating factor in social and community welfare.

On May 10, 1920, there was published the "preliminary report" detailing the remarkable membership growth of the Order as shown by official returns from grand and subordinate lodges for the calendar year of 1919. In this report there not only was shown a comprehensive review of the Order's membership growth and financial prosperity, but, by reason of the admirable results of that eventful year, we were moved to predict a larger membership increase as a result of widespread activities everywhere prevailing. "A Future Bright With Promise" was the caption for setting forth the following observation:

Considering all things—not alone the present interest and prosperity that prevails throughout the Order—but the fact that Pythian knighthood, in every relation, is "coming into its own," and that everywhere there is a constantly increasing appreciation of the Order, its value and worth as an institution that is needed in the science and scheme of life, it is confidently predicted that the future, now so "bright with promise," will fashion this Order to a grander and greater realization of its possibilities. With the present momentum, with an ardent and earnest continuance of such constructive and wholesome activities as now obtain throughout the Supreme Domain, we should be able to claim "One Million Members" possibly by December 31, 1922. We not alone desire and need new members, to increase, as the Supreme Chancellor says, the "man power" of the Order, but we greater need a wider consecration to Pythian ideals, and, if possible, more of fixed purpose in the high calling of that fraternity which we seek to emphasize. The adoption of one or more worth-while "objectives," something to which and in the furtherance of, all members may be united in their fulfillment, is worthy of careful and earnest consideration at this time.

In addition to the publication of these reports and statements, there have been issued from this office a large number of circulars and messages concerning Pythian subjects, official matters, and numerous activities in which the Order was engaged. It is not deemed necessary to reproduce in this report the several circulars and communications that were sent forth conveying information, instruction and encouragement, practically all of which, in addition to being mailed to members of the Supreme Lodge, were sent to Grand Lodge officers, the Pythian press, and to all names upon the so-called "official mailing list" maintained in this office.

We feel that it is due the Order that it be kept constantly in touch with the business affairs of the Supreme Lodge, and believe that every official and fraternal communication that emanates from the executive offices of the Order is decidedly helpful to the general welfare. Not infrequently requests were received from Grand Domains for additional quantities of these communications, that copies might be sent to all subordinate lodges within said Domains, and, in some instances, to the general membership.

Publicity is the finest kind of service, and this feature should be a matter of paramount concern on the part of the officers, boards and committees having in charge the management of the affairs of the Order.

#### OFFICIAL PYTHIAN MEMBERSHIP.

In the preliminary membership report as published on May 10 of this year, the total membership at that time was stated as being 746,034, but with the qualifying announcement that there might be some slight changes in the different totals when final and correct returns had been received. While there were a few changes, they did not materially affect the totals as then published. There is shown hereunder the correct and

official statement of the membership of the Order for the year ended December 31, 1919. For more complete information as to details by Grand Domains, the reader is referred to the official tables as embraced in the closing portion of this report:

|                                          |         |
|------------------------------------------|---------|
| Number of members December 31, 1918..... | 698,840 |
| Initiated during the year .....          | 77,503  |
| Reinstated .....                         | 12,312  |
| Admitted by card .....                   | 12,731  |
| First total .....                        | 801,386 |

*Deductions.*

|                                         |        |
|-----------------------------------------|--------|
| Loss by surrender of charter .....      | 3,461  |
| Suspended for non-payment of dues ..... | 33,180 |
| Expelled .....                          | 118    |
| Withdrawn by card .....                 | 10,442 |
| Died .....                              | 8,165  |
| Total deductions .....                  | 55,366 |

|                                                  |         |
|--------------------------------------------------|---------|
| Number of members December 31, 1919 .....        | 746,020 |
| Net gain in membership during the year 1919..... | 47,180  |

*Summary of Rank.*

|                                |         |
|--------------------------------|---------|
| Past Supreme Chancellors ..... | 8       |
| Past Grand Chancellors .....   | 1,319   |
| Past Chancellors .....         | 147,087 |
| Knights .....                  | 586,033 |
| Esquires .....                 | 5,092   |
| Pages .....                    | 6,481   |
| Total as above .....           | 746,020 |

From the fact that, in all business matters affecting the Order's work, insofar as reference thereto is based upon the biennial periods intervening between Supreme Lodge conventions, and in accordance with previous custom, we set out in the following tabulation a summary of membership for the past two years—combining the reports for 1918 and 1919:

|                                           |         |
|-------------------------------------------|---------|
| Number of members December 31, 1917 ..... | 712,547 |
| Accretions during 1918-1919:              |         |
| By initiation .....                       | 105,406 |
| By reinstatement .....                    | 19,362  |
| By card .....                             | 22,018  |
| Total accretions .....                    | 146,786 |
|                                           | 859,333 |

|                               |        |
|-------------------------------|--------|
| Deductions during 1918-1919:  |        |
| By surrender of charter ..... | 6,103  |
| By suspension .....           | 68,691 |
| By expulsion .....            | 252    |
| By withdrawal by card .....   | 19,002 |
| By death .....                | 19,265 |

|                        |         |
|------------------------|---------|
| Total deductions ..... | 113,313 |
|------------------------|---------|

|                                          |         |
|------------------------------------------|---------|
| Number of members December 31, 1919..... | 746,020 |
|------------------------------------------|---------|

The foregoing tabulation shows a net membership gain of 33,473 for the two-year period. As is well known, the membership loss of 1918 was the most disastrous in the entire history of the Order, a net deduction of 13,707, all of which, subtracted from the splendid gain of 1919, leaves the total for the above two-year period as herein shown. "Let the past bury its dead." It is ours to turn to the future, and, with an eye single to every advantage and opportunity, see to it that, henceforth, there shall be no such slumps as were reported during the war period—conditions, however, that were beyond the power of the order to prevent.

## COMPARATIVE STATEMENT.

For a number of years the report of this office, in referring to the membership of the Order, has set out the following tabulation showing the number of lodges and members for each year since the inception of the Order, with information as to gains and losses experienced each year—all of which affords a comprehensive view of the Order's progress:

|       |                                      |                 |              |
|-------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|--------------|
| 1864— | 3 subordinate lodges.....            | 78 members      |              |
| 1865— | 1 subordinate lodge.....             | 52 members      | Loss, 26     |
| 1866— | 4 subordinate lodges.....            | 379 members     | Gain, 327    |
| 1867— | 41 subordinate lodges.....           | 6,847 members   | Gain, 6,468  |
| 1868— | 194 subordinate lodges.....          | 34,624 members  | Gain, 27,777 |
| 1869— | 465 subordinate lodges.....          | 54,289 members  | Gain, 19,665 |
| 1870— | 643 subordinate lodges.....          | 60,022 members  | Gain, 5,733  |
| 1871— | 886 subordinate lodges.....          | 79,515 members  | Gain, 19,493 |
| 1872— | No trustworthy statistics available. |                 |              |
| 1873— | 1,228 subordinate lodges.....        | 95,602 members  | Gain, 16,087 |
| 1874— | 1,423 subordinate lodges.....        | 101,453 members | Gain, 5,851  |
| 1875— | 1,508 subordinate lodges.....        | 99,628 members  | Loss, 1,825  |
| 1876— | 1,490 subordinate lodges.....        | 92,209 members  | Loss, 7,419  |
| 1877— | 1,453 subordinate lodges.....        | 85,892 members  | Loss, 6,317  |
| 1878— | 1,398 subordinate lodges.....        | 84,505 members  | Loss, 1,387  |
| 1879— | 1,473 subordinate lodges.....        | 89,568 members  | Gain, 5,063  |
| 1880— | 1,518 subordinate lodges.....        | 96,263 members  | Gain, 6,695  |
| 1881— | 1,613 subordinate lodges.....        | 110,903 members | Gain, 14,640 |
| 1882— | 1,669 subordinate lodges.....        | 126,261 members | Gain, 15,358 |
| 1883— | 1,938 subordinate lodges.....        | 132,330 members | Gain, 6,069  |
| 1884— | 2,277 subordinate lodges.....        | 157,133 members | Gain, 24,803 |
| 1885— | 2,452 subordinate lodges.....        | 168,494 members | Gain, 11,361 |
| 1886— | 2,695 subordinate lodges.....        | 183,797 members | Gain, 15,303 |
| 1887— | 3,015 subordinate lodges.....        | 208,949 members | Gain, 25,152 |
| 1888— | 3,281 subordinate lodges.....        | 230,325 members | Gain, 21,376 |
| 1889— | 3,724 subordinate lodges.....        | 263,847 members | Gain, 33,522 |
| 1890— | 4,269 subordinate lodges.....        | 308,290 members | Gain, 44,443 |
| 1891— | 4,901 subordinate lodges.....        | 357,924 members | Gain, 49,634 |
| 1892— | 5,572 subordinate lodges.....        | 413,944 members | Gain, 56,020 |
| 1893— | 6,008 subordinate lodges.....        | 443,615 members | Gain, 29,671 |
| 1894— | 6,291 subordinate lodges.....        | 456,994 members | Gain, 13,379 |
| 1895— | 6,504 subordinate lodges.....        | 464,539 members | Gain, 7,545  |
| 1896— | 6,637 subordinate lodges.....        | 469,291 members | Gain, 4,752  |
| 1897— | 6,683 subordinate lodges.....        | 468,269 members | Loss, 1,022  |
| 1898— | 6,082 subordinate lodges.....        | 470,798 members | Gain, 2,529  |
| 1899— | 6,740 subordinate lodges.....        | 492,506 members | Gain, 21,708 |
| 1900— | 6,860 subordinate lodges.....        | 516,944 members | Gain, 24,438 |
| 1901— | 7,002 subordinate lodges.....        | 540,138 members | Gain, 23,194 |
| 1902— | 7,065 subordinate lodges.....        | 562,327 members | Gain, 22,189 |
| 1903— | 7,228 subordinate lodges.....        | 594,883 members | Gain, 32,556 |
| 1904— | 7,354 subordinate lodges.....        | 622,466 members | Gain, 27,583 |
| 1905— | 7,501 subordinate lodges.....        | 650,239 members | Gain, 27,773 |
| 1906— | 7,692 subordinate lodges.....        | 671,162 members | Gain, 20,923 |
| 1907— | 7,835 subordinate lodges.....        | 698,538 members | Gain, 27,376 |
| 1908— | 7,884 subordinate lodges.....        | 703,852 members | Gain, 5,314  |
| 1909— | 7,886 subordinate lodges.....        | 706,922 members | Gain, 3,070  |
| 1910— | 7,895 subordinate lodges.....        | 711,381 members | Gain, 4,459  |
| 1911— | 7,801 subordinate lodges.....        | 710,637 members | Loss, 744    |
| 1912— | 7,716 subordinate lodges.....        | 715,655 members | Gain, 5,018  |
| 1913— | 7,647 subordinate lodges.....        | 725,009 members | Gain, 9,354  |
| 1914— | 7,550 subordinate lodges.....        | 729,053 members | Gain, 4,044  |
| 1915— | 7,470 subordinate lodges.....        | 722,075 members | Loss, 6,978  |
| 1916— | 7,265 subordinate lodges.....        | 717,737 members | Loss, 4,338  |
| 1917— | 7,118 subordinate lodges.....        | 712,547 members | Loss, 5,190  |
| 1918— | 6,989 subordinate lodges.....        | 698,840 members | Loss, 13,707 |
| 1919— | 6,866 subordinate lodges.....        | 746,020 members | Gain, 47,180 |

The membership on December 31, 1919, reached the "high water" mark in the order's history, and the net increase for the year last past was the third highest ever reported, being succeeded only twice since the inception of the order, viz.: 1891 and 1892. In the latter year (1892) the Order scored the remarkable record of making a net increase of 56,020 members, but in the minds of not a few present-day workers and students, the current year should exceed the proud achievement of that year.



## GAINS OR LOSSES BY GRAND DOMAINS.

In the appended table is shown the numerical gain or loss of members in the several Grand Domains during the past biennial term, years 1918 and 1919 combined:

|    |                      |             |
|----|----------------------|-------------|
| 1  | Ohio                 | Gain, 8,452 |
| 2  | West Virginia        | Gain, 4,079 |
| 3  | Oklahoma             | Gain, 2,379 |
| 4  | Oregon               | Gain, 2,316 |
| 5  | Pennsylvania         | Gain, 2,278 |
| 6  | Wisconsin            | Gain, 2,088 |
| 7  | Iowa                 | Gain, 1,726 |
| 8  | Texas                | Gain, 1,560 |
| 9  | California           | Gain, 1,091 |
| 10 | Virginia             | Gain, 929   |
| 11 | New Jersey           | Gain, 797   |
| 12 | Michigan             | Gain, 698   |
| 13 | New York             | Gain, 680   |
| 14 | Alabama              | Gain, 679   |
| 15 | Maine                | Gain, 661   |
| 16 | North Carolina       | Gain, 555   |
| 17 | Maryland             | Gain, 518   |
| 18 | South Carolina       | Gain, 488   |
| 19 | Washington           | Gain, 434   |
| 20 | New Mexico           | Gain, 416   |
| 21 | Georgia              | Gain, 413   |
| 22 | Indiana              | Gain, 409   |
| 23 | Colorado             | Gain, 377   |
| 24 | Maritime Provinces   | Gain, 349   |
| 25 | Ontario              | Gain, 275   |
| 26 | Louisiana            | Gain, 270   |
| 27 | Utah                 | Gain, 260   |
| 28 | North Dakota         | Gain, 230   |
| 29 | Kansas               | Gain, 197   |
| 30 | Florida              | Gain, 162   |
| 31 | Massachusetts        | Gain, 141   |
| 32 | South Dakota         | Gain, 112   |
| 33 | District of Columbia | Gain, 100   |
| 34 | Montana              | Gain, 85    |
| 35 | Delaware             | Gain, 61    |
| 36 | Nebraska             | Gain, 57    |
| 37 | Quebec               | Gain, 56    |
| 38 | Arkansas             | Gain, 45    |
| 39 | Arizona              | Gain, 37    |
| 40 | New Hampshire        | Gain, 32    |
| 41 | Vermont              | Gain, 8     |
| 42 | Wyoming              | Gain, 8     |
| 43 | Connecticut          | Gain, 2     |
| 44 | Tennessee            | Loss, 2     |
| 45 | Idaho                | Loss, 6     |
| 46 | Manitoba             | Loss, 64    |
| 47 | Rhode Island         | Loss, 78    |
| 48 | Kentucky             | Loss, 95    |
| 49 | Nevada               | Loss, 148   |
| 50 | British Columbia     | Loss, 181   |
| 51 | Mississippi          | Loss, 220   |
| 52 | Minnesota            | Loss, 287   |
| 53 | Alberta              | Loss, 376   |
| 54 | Missouri             | Loss, 644   |
| 55 | Illinois             | Loss, 902   |

## PERCENTAGE OF GAINS OR LOSSES.

Here is presented a table showing the percentage net gain or net loss of each Grand Domain during the two years last past:

|    |                      |                      |
|----|----------------------|----------------------|
| 1  | Oklahoma             | Gain, 38.36 per cent |
| 2  | New Mexico           | Gain, 32.29 per cent |
| 3  | Oregon               | Gain, 30.08 per cent |
| 4  | Utah                 | Gain, 17.57 per cent |
| 5  | West Virginia        | Gain, 16.59 per cent |
| 6  | Wisconsin            | Gain, 13.54 per cent |
| 7  | Virginia             | Gain, 12.51 per cent |
| 8  | Maritime Provinces   | Gain, 9.73 per cent  |
| 9  | Ohio                 | Gain, 9.63 per cent  |
| 10 | District of Columbia | Gain, 9.15 per cent  |

|    |                  |       |       |           |
|----|------------------|-------|-------|-----------|
| 11 | Ontario          | Gain, | 8.34  | per cent  |
| 12 | North Dakota     | Gain, | 8.05  | per cent  |
| 13 | North Carolina   | Gain, | 7.58  | per cent  |
| 14 | Texas            | Gain, | 7.44  | per cent  |
| 15 | Iowa             | Gain, | 7.19  | per cent  |
| 16 | Alabama          | Gain, | 6.74  | per cent  |
| 17 | Quebec           | Gain, | 6.61  | per cent  |
| 18 | Colorado         | Gain, | 5.68  | per cent  |
| 19 | New Jersey       | Gain, | 5.44  | per cent  |
| 20 | Maryland         | Gain, | 5.14  | per cent  |
| 21 | South Carolina   | Gain, | 4.88  | per cent  |
| 22 | Louisiana        | Gain, | 4.85  | per cent  |
| 23 | California       | Gain, | 4.51  | per cent  |
| 24 | Washington       | Gain, | 4.05  | per cent* |
| 25 | South Dakota     | Gain, | 4.02  | per cent  |
| 26 | Georgia          | Gain, | 3.89  | per cent  |
| 27 | Maine            | Gain, | 3.89  | per cent  |
| 28 | Pennsylvania     | Gain, | 3.84  | per cent  |
| 29 | Delaware         | Gain, | 3.14  | per cent  |
| 30 | New York         | Gain, | 3.10  | per cent  |
| 31 | Michigan         | Gain, | 2.84  | per cent  |
| 32 | Florida          | Gain, | 2.74  | per cent  |
| 33 | Montana          | Gain, | 2.46  | per cent  |
| 34 | Kansas           | Gain, | 2.34  | per cent  |
| 35 | Arizona          | Gain, | 1.67  | per cent  |
| 36 | Arkansas         | Gain, | .94   | per cent  |
| 37 | Nebraska         | Gain, | .88   | per cent  |
| 38 | Indiana          | Gain, | .63   | per cent  |
| 39 | Wyoming          | Gain, | .59   | per cent  |
| 40 | Massachusetts    | Gain, | .53   | per cent  |
| 41 | New Hampshire    | Gain, | .47   | per cent  |
| 42 | Vermont          | Gain, | .31   | per cent  |
| 43 | Connecticut      | Gain, | .02   | per cent  |
| 44 | Tennessee        | Loss, | .02   | per cent  |
| 45 | Idaho            | Loss, | .18   | per cent  |
| 46 | Kentucky         | Loss, | .89   | per cent  |
| 47 | Illinois         | Loss, | 1.68  | per cent  |
| 48 | Missouri         | Loss, | 2.64  | per cent  |
| 49 | Rhode Island     | Loss, | 2.84  | per cent  |
| 50 | Mississippi      | Loss, | 3.46  | per cent  |
| 51 | Minnesota        | Loss, | 3.89  | per cent  |
| 52 | Manitoba         | Loss, | 5.37  | per cent  |
| 53 | British Columbia | Loss, | 5.60  | per cent  |
| 54 | Nevada           | Loss, | 8.37  | per cent  |
| 55 | Alberta          | Loss, | 34.05 | per cent  |

## RELATIVE STANDING.

To ascertain the relative position or rank of each Grand Domain with reference to its membership experience, it is necessary to take into consideration both the numerical gain or loss and the percentage gain or loss, for which purpose the two tables have been combined, and, by taking the average, the true relative rank or standing is shown as under:

|    |                      |    |                      |    |                    |
|----|----------------------|----|----------------------|----|--------------------|
| 1  | Oklahoma             | 19 | South Carolina       | 38 | { Arizona          |
| 2  | { Oregon             | 20 | North Dakota         |    | { Arkansas         |
|    | { West Virginia      | 21 | Colorado             | 40 | { New Hampshire    |
| 4  | Ohio                 | 22 | Maine                |    | { Wyoming          |
| 5  | Wisconsin            | 23 | { Michigan           | 42 | Vermont            |
| 6  | Virginia             |    | { New York           | 43 | Connecticut        |
| 7  | { Iowa               |    | { Washington         | 44 | Tennessee          |
|    | { New Mexico         | 26 | District of Columbia | 45 | Idaho              |
|    | { Texas              | 27 | Georgia              | 46 | Kentucky           |
| 10 | North Carolina       | 28 | Louisiana            | 47 | Rhode Island       |
| 11 | { Alabama            | 29 | Quebec               | 48 | Manitoba           |
|    | { New Jersey         | 30 | South Dakota         | 49 | Mississippi        |
|    | { Utah               | 31 | Indiana              | 50 | { Illinois         |
| 14 | California           | 32 | Florida              |    | { Missouri         |
| 15 | { Maritime Provinces | 33 | Kansas               | 52 | { British Columbia |
|    | { Pennsylvania       | 34 | Delaware             |    | { Minnesota        |
| 17 | Ontario              | 35 | Montana              |    | { Nevada           |
| 18 | Maryland             | 36 | Massachusetts        | 55 | Alberta            |
|    |                      | 37 | Nebraska             |    |                    |

## OUTLYING PYTHIAN DISTRICTS.

It is always with pleasure that we call attention to the work, condition and faithfulness of the subordinate lodges under immediate control of the Supreme Lodge. They, indeed, are "the outposts of Pythianism," doing their own work in their own way, rarely coming in contact with lodges on the Continental mainland, but ever and always maintaining Pythian prestige, and contributing their proportion to the sum total of the Order's prosperity and welfare. This office is practically their only medium of communication, and from here they receive every assistance and encouragement that it is possible to extend. Upon request of the Supreme Chancellor, there was furnished to that officer, for use in his report, brief statements concerning Pythian conditions in each of the outlying districts. The six districts, on December 31, last, reported a total of 22 lodges, with a combined membership of 1,794, a gain of 21 members during the year. Since January 1, 1920, one lodge, Alaska No. 1, has surrendered its charter, but its remaining members immediately affiliated with other lodges. The complete list of the outlying lodges is hereunder shown:

|                          |                 |               |
|--------------------------|-----------------|---------------|
| Alaska .....             | 2 lodges .....  | 107 members   |
| Australia .....          | 1 lodge .....   | 60 members    |
| Canal Zone .....         | 2 lodges .....  | 304 members   |
| Hawaiian Islands .....   | 5 lodges .....  | 511 members   |
| Philippine Islands ..... | 1 lodge .....   | 55 members    |
| Saskatchewan .....       | 10 lodges ..... | 754 members   |
| Totals .....             | 21 lodges ..... | 1,791 members |

We desire at this time to commend the district deputies in charge of the above districts for their unfailing courtesy, and commendable attention to official duties and the needs of the Order. In the financial sense, as well as regards membership statistics, the lodges in these districts are in excellent condition. Their combined cash on hand, December 31, 1919, was \$5,859.34, with assets aggregating \$57,784.23. The fact that these lodges, last year, expended for relief the sum of \$3,548.38 abundantly demonstrates their fraternal and altruistic work. The receipts of these lodges run in excess of \$18,000 per year.

Saskatchewan is the only district that has enjoyed direct representation in the Supreme Lodge, this boon, for the first time in the Order's history, being accorded at the convention of 1918. Owing to the fact that the lodges in this district failed to qualify, by official reports, a total membership of "not less than six hundred," for the year ended December 31, 1918, the regular election of a supreme representative, which the statute requires shall be held in June of each odd-numbered year, was not so held, but said election was ordered this year, that representation might be accorded at the coming convention provided reports were received and tax paid on the required membership. At time of preparation of this report, the required membership had been qualified, but returns on election were received from only three lodges. Saskatchewan is, indeed, a fruitful field for Pythian propagation.

The oldest of all outlying districts is Hawaii, which is almost within reach of a total membership adequate for Supreme Lodge representation. This district has had a remarkable and decidedly creditable Pythian record, and we here express the hope that the incoming administration will arrange to have said district officially visited by some officer or representative of the Supreme Lodge. They are entitled to this recognition, would appreciate the honor, and deserve the courtesy of such consideration and helpfulness.

The Canal Zone may, in due time, become entitled to representation. These lodges, also, should be officially visited.

Alaska, while somewhat weak at the present time, is well situated and splendidly represented in the Pythian column by Cordova Lodge No. 3.

Australia, a charming and delightful country, affords an inviting field for Pythian expansion. New South Wales Lodge No. 1, at Sydney, is a decided credit to this Order, a splendid Pythian asset.

William McKinley Lodge No. 1, Manila, is holding its own, but local conditions in that city have not been propitious for marked Pythian growth. The lodge, seemingly, has principally relied upon men in the Army for recruits to its membership.

Every possible encouragement should be extended to these districts. They are worthy of it; they have "won the spurs"; and, standing as they do, representing this great Order in lands far away, they should be strengthened and sustained in their good and great work in behalf of Pythian prestige and welfare.

### APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES.

As a business institution, the Supreme Lodge has so splendidly regulated its affairs that it may be said, without prejudice to any other society or business institution, that the governing body of this Order, in handling its financial matters, has merited the commendation not only of the membership which it serves, but of all those who admire thoroughness in the conduct of financial affairs. At the 1918 biennial convention, the Supreme Lodge, carefully estimating the needs of the Order for the ensuing term, appropriated consistently and conservatively the funds necessary to handle its business. These appropriations and the expenditures therefrom are shown in the appended table. From the unexpended balances there remain to be paid the current claims for the month of July, so far as such balances shall be available for that purpose:

| <i>ACCOUNT</i>                                | <i>Appropriated</i> | <i>Expended</i> | <i>Balance</i> |
|-----------------------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------|----------------|
| Supreme Chancellor's Salary .....             | \$10,000.00         | \$9,400.00      | \$600.00       |
| Supreme Chancellor's Office Expense.....      | 6,000.00            | 4,017.06        | 1,982.94       |
| Supreme Chancellor's Traveling Expense.....   | 4,000.00            | 4,233.35        | *233.35        |
| Supreme Vice Chancellor's Traveling Expense.. | 2,500.00            | 1,763.01        | 736.99         |
| Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal's Salary.. | 10,000.00           | 9,600.00        | 400.00         |
| Chief Clerk .....                             | 4,000.00            | 3,835.00        | 165.00         |
| Stenographer .....                            | 2,160.00            | 2,070.00        | 90.00          |
| Office Rent .....                             | 2,850.00            | 2,691.00        | 159.00         |
| Office Expenses .....                         | 1,000.00            | 996.23          | 3.77           |
| Traveling Expenses .....                      | 1,500.00            | 1,269.06        | 230.94         |
| Supreme Master Exchequer Salary.....          | 2,400.00            | 2,300.00        | 100.00         |
| Office Expenses .....                         | 200.00              | 194.86          | 5.14           |
| Traveling Expenses .....                      | 300.00              | 194.84          | 105.16         |
| Committee on Finance .....                    | 2,500.00            | 2,385.14        | 114.86         |
| Supreme Tribunal Expenses .....               | 2,500.00            | 579.98          | 1,920.02       |
| Supreme Tribunal Reporter .....               | 200.00              | .....           | 200.00         |
| Miscellaneous Printing .....                  | 1,500.00            | 1,501.48        | *1.48          |
| Emergency Fund .....                          | 3,000.00            | 2,686.57        | 313.43         |
| General Expense .....                         | 2,500.00            | 2,363.26        | 136.74         |
| Miss L. S. S. Rathbone .....                  | 1,200.00            | 1,150.00        | 50.00          |
| Mrs. Mary B. Vanderveer.....                  | 1,200.00            | 1,150.00        | 50.00          |
| Mrs. Catherine E. Richie .....                | 1,200.00            | 1,150.00        | 50.00          |
| Convention Expenses, 1918 .....               | 35,120.88           | 30,171.49       | 4,949.39       |
| Printing Official Record .....                | 2,934.66            | 2,668.73        | 265.93         |
| Military Department .....                     | 14,530.00           | 10,652.83       | 3,877.17       |
| Purchase of Official Supplies .....           | 50,120.05           | 68,931.13       | *18,811.08     |
| Supplies Expense .....                        | 1,000.00            | 1,327.24        | *327.24        |
| Committee on Printing and Supplies.....       | 400.00              | 322.32          | 77.68          |
| Past Supreme Chancellor Jewel .....           | 150.00              | 150.00          | .....          |
| Furniture and Fixtures .....                  | 200.00              | 196.58          | 3.42           |
| Convention Expenses, 1920 .....               | 1,150.00            | 170.25          | 979.75         |
| Maritime Provinces Penalty .....              | 22.00               | 22.00           | .....          |
| Pythian Education .....                       | 5,000.00            | 2,399.02        | 2,600.98       |
| Supreme Lodge Relief Fund .....               | 5,130.00            | 230.00          | 4,900.00       |

\*Overdraft.



A few of the foregoing appropriations show an amount in excess of the actual appropriation made by the Supreme Lodge, which excess is explained by credits as indicated hereunder:

|                                                   |                   |
|---------------------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Convention Expenses, 1918—Appropriation .....     | \$35,000.00       |
| Credit, Military Department .....                 | \$27.13           |
| Credit, Insurance Department .....                | 93.75             |
|                                                   | <hr/> 120.88      |
| Total amount available .....                      | \$35,120.88       |
| Printing Official Record—Appropriation .....      | \$2,500.00        |
| Credit, Military Department .....                 | \$59.08           |
| Credit, Insurance Department .....                | 375.58            |
|                                                   | <hr/> 434.66      |
| Total amount available .....                      | \$2,934.66        |
| Military Department—Appropriation .....           | \$14,500.00       |
| Credit, exchequer order returned .....            | 30.00             |
|                                                   | <hr/> \$14,530.00 |
| Purchase of Official Supplies—Appropriation ..... | \$50,000.00       |
| Credit, Insurance Department .....                | \$50.05           |
| Credit, Military Department .....                 | 40.00             |
| Credit, Imperial Palace, D. O. K. K. ....         | 30.00             |
|                                                   | <hr/> 120.05      |
| Total amount available .....                      | \$50,120.05       |
| Convention Expenses, 1920—Appropriation .....     | \$1,000.00        |
| Credit, sale of tables, 1916 Convention .....     | 150.00            |
|                                                   | <hr/> \$1,150.00  |
| Supreme Lodge Relief Fund—Appropriation .....     | \$5,000.00        |
| Credit, refund on relief payment .....            | 130.00            |
|                                                   | <hr/> \$5,130.00  |
| Total amount available .....                      | \$5,130.00        |

It will be observed that in four instances the expenditures have exceeded the amount appropriated. There was an excess expenditure of \$233.35 in the appropriation for the Supreme Chancellor's traveling expenses, which was allowed by the committee on finance after correspondence and consultation with that officer. His very extensive travel, visiting every Grand Domain, was the result of numerous and urgent appeals, and he foresaw that his appropriation might be slightly overdrawn. The overdraft of \$1.48 for miscellaneous printing was not discovered until the official tabulation was made up.

In the matter of the purchase of official supplies, the overdraft is \$18,811.08, which was foreseen very shortly after the adjournment of the Detroit convention. Not in all the history of this Order has there been such a demand for official supplies as during the past two years. Any appropriation for the purchase of supplies cannot be considered mandatory in its limitation. When supplies are needed and demanded, they must be procured. The appropriation for supplies expense was exceeded to the extent of \$327.24, and for similar reasons. These matters are referred to under the sub-heading immediately following.

#### OFFICIAL SUPPLIES AND SALES.

As has been shown in the official reports and tables, the year 1919 was almost a "record-breaker" in membership increase, and with this remarkable increase and the attending order-wide activities in every direction, there likewise followed a decided increase in the sale of official supplies. The record for the past two years exceeds any similar period, reaching the total of \$87,015.79 for the two fiscal years last past. Two years ago we reported aggregate sales amounting to \$59,972.70, the increase for the past biennium being \$37,043.09. Hereunder is shown the sales for the two years:

|                                                  |             |
|--------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| Sales during year ending June 30, 1919 .....     | \$30,480.11 |
| Sales during the year ending June 30, 1920 ..... | 56,535.63   |

Total sales for the two-year period ..... \$87,015.74

Profits on the sale of supplies has correspondingly increased from \$13,672.91 reported two years ago, to \$20,480.30 for the past two years, the showing for each year being as follows:

|                                                    |            |
|----------------------------------------------------|------------|
| Profits for fiscal year ending June 30, 1919 ..... | \$6,683.41 |
| Profits for fiscal year ending June 30, 1920 ..... | 13,796.89  |

Total profits for the biennial period ..... \$20,480.30

It will be observed that the profits for the last fiscal year exceeded the combined profits for the two-year period ended just previous to the biennial convention of 1918. All supplies are sold at as close a margin as is possible, consistent with the investment of funds in the purchase thereof, the expense of handling, and the ever-present hazard as to losses and damage by shipment. Some supplies represent a net loss to the Supreme Lodge. The Pythian Lodge Directory, while a valuable publication, is in no sense self-sustaining. The two editions, years 1918 and 1919, cost \$2,663.00, but, owing to limited sales, resulted in a net loss of \$1,145.08. The same is true as regards decisions of the Supreme Tribunal.

By reason of conditions well understood in the business world, there has been a decided advance in the cost of practically all supplies sold by this office. With labor and material going higher and higher, there also has been (as is equally well known) a scarcity of production, accompanied by inferior qualities in many respects, and the further inconvenience resulting from inability and delay in receiving supplies from the manufacturers. During the "high pressure" period of the past "lodge season," namely, the last quarter of 1919 and the first quarter of 1920, it was almost impossible to maintain stocks adequate to the never-ending demands. These were days of nervous tension, but, like other afflictions of life, every condition was met with the utmost patience, and every service demanded of this office was forthcoming with the least possible delay.

Added to the increasing cost of paper, leather and metal supplies, there has come the Government tax on "luxuries," such as the official jewels furnished by the Supreme Lodge for the general consumption of the Order, which tax, in all instances, has been borne by the Supreme Lodge, and not by grand and subordinate lodges, or individual purchasers. In considering the matter of "profits" on sale of supplies, there should be taken into consideration the expenditures made for "supplies expense," which, naturally, must be deducted from the gross sales profits in order to show net earnings. It is also to be borne in mind that the Supreme Lodge is deprived of considerable interest earning in having its money tied up both in the purchase of supplies and credits extended to grand lodges.

The following tabulation will show the four principal groups of supplies, the sales thereof, the costs, and profits for the past two years:

|              | <i>Sales</i>       | <i>Cost</i>        | <i>Profit</i>      |
|--------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Jewels ..... | \$57,383.36        | \$46,736.24        | \$10,647.12        |
| Cards .....  | 1,735.90           | 1,210.69           | 525.21             |
| Blanks ..... | 14,902.78          | 8,853.14           | 6,049.64           |
| Books .....  | 12,993.70          | 9,735.37           | 3,258.33           |
|              | <u>\$87,015.74</u> | <u>\$66,535.44</u> | <u>\$20,480.30</u> |

The current inventory value of supplies on hand, fully paid for, and as per cost of replacement under existing contracts, shows an increase in value of \$2,555.00 in excess of two years ago. The present inventory being as under:

|                             |             |
|-----------------------------|-------------|
| Jewels .....                | \$4,947.86  |
| Jewel Cases .....           | 1,042.80    |
| Cards (all forms) .....     | 426.23      |
| Blanks (all kinds) .....    | 1,096.54    |
| Books (all kinds) .....     | 3,108.03    |
| Total inventory value ..... | \$10,621.46 |

### RATHBONE BIBLE CLASSES.

In the biennial report of this office two years ago, it was stated that, up to the time of that convention, there had been held a total of 198 Bible Classes, with total initiations aggregating 15,440. Since the last convention 38 additional classes have been conducted, resulting in the initiation of 1,299 members, bringing the total number of classes since the commencement of this movement up to 236, the total initiates being 16,739. The expenses incurred in this work have been entirely borne from the appropriation for the traveling expenses of the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal. In nearly every instance these occasions were made "district conventions," and, without exception, were largely attended, in many instances by delegations of members from sister lodges "from miles around." Everywhere the historic Bible has been received with reverence, resulting in a greater and better interest being taken in Pythian affairs generally, and especially the ambition to enhance ritualistic excellence. Classes held during the past two years are listed as follows:

| <i>Class<br/>Number</i> | <i>Date</i>       | <i>Place</i>                    | <i>Number of<br/>Candidates</i> |
|-------------------------|-------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 199                     | November 19, 1918 | Des Moines, Iowa .....          | 21                              |
| 200                     | November 20.....  | Council Bluffs, Iowa .....      | 18                              |
| 201                     | November 21.....  | Sioux City, Iowa .....          | 37                              |
| 202                     | November 22.....  | Spencer, Iowa .....             | 31                              |
| 203                     | February 19, 1919 | Fairmont, Minnesota .....       | 79                              |
| 204                     | April 4.....      | Tracy, Minnesota .....          | 32                              |
| 205                     | May 22.....       | Great Falls, Montana .....      | 32                              |
| 206                     | May 23.....       | Belt, Montana .....             | 4                               |
| 207                     | May 24.....       | Lewistown, Montana .....        | 6                               |
| 208                     | May 26.....       | Billings, Montana .....         | 12                              |
| 209                     | May 27.....       | Bozeman, Montana .....          | 14                              |
| 210                     | June 2.....       | Wells, Minnesota .....          | 18                              |
| 211                     | September 2.....  | Kalamazoo, Michigan .....       | 157                             |
| 212                     | October 7.....    | Indianapolis, Indiana .....     | 61                              |
| 213                     | October 13.....   | Rolfe, Iowa .....               | 58                              |
| 214                     | October 15.....   | St. Paul, Minnesota .....       | 14                              |
| 215                     | November 19.....  | Iowa Falls, Iowa .....          | 97                              |
| 216                     | November 20.....  | Mason City, Iowa .....          | 21                              |
| 217                     | December 1.....   | South St. Paul, Minnesota ..... | 10                              |
| 218                     | December 2.....   | Oelwein, Iowa .....             | 17                              |
| 219                     | December 8.....   | Winona, Minnesota .....         | 14                              |
| 220                     | January 5, 1920   | McIntosh, Minnesota .....       | 14                              |
| 221                     | January 28.....   | Warren, Minnesota .....         | 42                              |
| 222                     | February 12.....  | Minneapolis, Minnesota .....    | 24                              |
| 223                     | February 16.....  | Ottumwa, Iowa .....             | 45                              |
| 224                     | February 17.....  | Grinnell, Iowa .....            | 39                              |
| 225                     | February 23.....  | Odessa, Missouri .....          | 16                              |
| 226                     | February 24.....  | St. Louis, Missouri .....       | 34                              |
| 227                     | February 25.....  | Springfield, Missouri .....     | 13                              |
| 228                     | February 26.....  | St. Joseph, Missouri .....      | 23                              |
| 229                     | March 4.....      | Montevideo, Minnesota .....     | 48                              |
| 230                     | March 10.....     | Luverne, Minnesota .....        | 21                              |
| 231                     | April 7.....      | Worthington, Minnesota .....    | 60                              |
| 232                     | May 11.....       | Lake Crystal, Minnesota .....   | 6                               |
| 233                     | May 17.....       | Topeka, Kansas .....            | 92                              |
| 234                     | May 18.....       | Pawnee Rock, Kansas .....       | 43                              |
| 235                     | June 14.....      | Deer River, Minnesota .....     | 13                              |
| 236                     | July 9.....       | Minneapolis, Minnesota .....    | 13                              |

## PYTHIAN EDUCATION.

During the past two years the committee on Pythian education has not performed as extensive, or expensive, work as characterized the activities of this committee during preceding terms. From the appropriation of \$5,000 authorized at the Detroit convention, there has been expended a total of \$2,399.02—less than one-half the amount appropriated—leaving an unexpended balance of \$2,600.98. The summarized expenditures were as follows:

|                                                |            |
|------------------------------------------------|------------|
| Committee expenses, meetings .....             | \$ 23.75   |
| Supreme Chancellor's telegrams .....           | 355.42     |
| Supreme Chancellor's circulars .....           | 778.55     |
| Educational booklets and general printing..... | 992.38     |
| Postage .....                                  | 170.00     |
| Paper stock, plates, multigraphing.....        | 78.92      |
| Total expenditures .....                       | \$2,399.02 |

For the purpose of more careful examination, there is here appended a complete list of exchequer orders issued on account of the work performed in behalf of Pythian education during the past term:

| <i>Ex.<br/>Order</i> | <i>To Whom</i>                | <i>For What</i>                      | <i>Amount</i> |
|----------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------|
| 6990                 | William Ladew, S. V. C.,      | Chicago meeting.....                 | \$ 6.50       |
| 6992                 | John J. Brown, P. S. C.,      | Chicago meeting.....                 | 9.50          |
| 7017                 | Murphy-Travis Co.,            | printing.....                        | 62.50         |
| 7040                 | Western Union Tel. Co.,       | S. C. telegrams, "Thanksgiving"..... | 209.81        |
| 7041                 | Western Union Tel. Co.,       | S. C. telegrams, "Peace Day".....    | 145.61        |
| 7063                 | Charles S. Davis, S. C.,      | "Appeal" circular.....               | 153.21        |
| 7065                 | William Ladew, S. V. C.,      | Philadelphia meeting.....            | 7.75          |
| 7102                 | Brown & Phelps Co.,           | composition, booklet.....            | 6.86          |
| 7103                 | Murphy-Travis Co.,            | printing, booklets.....              | 159.00        |
| 7126                 | Fred E. Wheaton, S. K. R. S., | postage.....                         | 50.00         |
| 7156                 | Murphy-Travis Co.,            | printing, booklets.....              | 123.00        |
| 7235                 | Fred E. Wheaton, S. K. R. S., | postage and printing.....            | 110.84        |
| 7236                 | Periodical Press Co.,         | printing.....                        | 48.25         |
| 7263                 | Murphy-Travis Co.,            | booklets.....                        | 84.00         |
| 7289                 | Beygeh Engraving Co.,         | etching for blotter.....             | 19.44         |
| 7290                 | Murphy-Travis Co.,            | printing booklets.....               | 45.00         |
| 7310                 | Charles S. Davis, S. C.,      | Official Communication No. 14.....   | 332.38        |
| 7313                 | Fred E. Wheaton, S. K. R. S., | postage and composition.....         | 60.50         |
| 7340                 | Trexler-Ballentine Co.,       | printing booklet.....                | 32.50         |
| 7341                 | Brown & Phelps Co.,           | composition.....                     | 2.48          |
| 7362                 | Brown & Phelps Co.,           | composition.....                     | 18.64         |
| 7367                 | Trexler-Ballentine Co.,       | electros, Booklet No. 9.....         | 6.75          |
| 7372                 | Murphy-Travis Co.,            | printing booklets.....               | 130.00        |
| 7394                 | Fred E. Wheaton, S. K. R. S., | printing and multigraphing.....      | 62.98         |
| 7418                 | Brown & Phelps Co.,           | composition.....                     | 25.93         |
| 7421                 | John Leslie Paper Co.,        | paper stock.....                     | 21.35         |
| 7424                 | Murphy-Travis Co.,            | printing booklets.....               | 66.00         |
| 7445                 | Fred E. Wheaton, S. K. R. S., | postage and printing.....            | 88.90         |
| 7480                 | Beygeh Engraving Co.,         | half tone "Our Shield".....          | 16.38         |
| 7532                 | Charles S. Davis, S. C.,      | Official Communication No. 16.....   | 292.96        |
| Total as above ..... |                               |                                      | \$2,399.02    |

At no time since the commencement of the educational movement have so many urgent requests been received to furnish to Grand Domains and subordinate lodges Booklets relating to the Order, and desired for use in connection with membership campaigns, as during the past two years. These Booklets have been very helpful in this promotion work, and every request therefor, whether for small or large quantities, has been promptly honored.

As is well known, the Order has been generally advised that this literature was available from the Supreme Lodge for the asking. Not only have these Booklets, and other literature of their general character, been supplied gratis, but they have been distributed throughout the Order, with postage prepaid (including Parcel Post packages), from the office of the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal.



The incoming administration (or the new committee, if the plan is continued) should provide a new line of Booklets, or similar printed matter, that shall briefly set forth the Pythian story, its work, its endeavors, and such statistics and general information as may be of educational value, for the purpose of aiding lodges in enlarging the Order's membership and influence. Grand Lodges should be encouraged to adopt similar features of education and publicity, by preparing and publishing literature of this character, telling something of the local history and strength of the Order in the respective domains.

### BIG CONSTRUCTION WORK DEMANDED.

During the past several years much concern has been given to the thought and necessity that Pythian knighthood engage in larger things, greater movements, and more constructive and progressive developments, than has been its wont during earlier periods. Fraternity is a tremendous factor in the vital affairs of civilization, but in its age-long career it has principally confined its activities within itself, without broadening out upon the larger field of practical, human service. Not in all the realm of modern fraternities does there exist a better forum for larger activities that is comprehended and embraced within this Order, this great American fraternity, modernly constructed, mammoth in membership and superlative in design. Its tremendous forces need co-ordination and cohesion in a greater, larger and wider emphasis of that character of real service which the world may rightfully expect from an institution that is designed to comprehend the greatest measure of welfare for all humankind.

The time for action is here.

It must be confessed that there was widespread and keen disappointment because of the failure of the Supreme Lodge at its last convention to "point the way" to some definite, higher objective, in the arts of Pythian endeavor. During the past two years, the sentiment has wonderfully crystallized on this great necessity and need. The report promulgated from this office in May, 1919, carried a message outlining what was termed a "constructive program," and the responses to this message, from far and wide, clearly evidenced that a popular chord was struck. Early this year there was published from this office a circular, entitled, "Pythian Objectives," in which a series of "suggestions" were presented for the careful consideration of reading and thinking members, and these suggestions are now formally presented to the Supreme Lodge, in the reproduction of said circular-letter and message, as hereunder:

The Order of Knights of Pythias, in common with the leading societies that are seeking to fashion fraternity as a great world theme and influence, must give heed to the importance of adapting itself to new and constantly changing conditions. We must do a bigger and a greater work to justify our pretensions, and we must demand as leaders the services and devotion of men who are big enough to extend the horizon of their leadership beyond the every-day "indoor sports" of the average lodge room.

The suggestions as set forth hereunder may not answer this desire and the order's needs, but may be considered for what they are worth, in connection with other matters and things that shall tend to point the way for future Pythian ambitions and activities:

1. Higher and more practical objectives.
2. The consummation of big, worth-while work.
3. Nationalization of at least two Pythian homes.
4. Practical relief work co-extensive with the Order at large.

5. Committing the Order to the care of the sick, the needy, the aged; an educational program for the welfare of Pythian orphans, under Supreme Lodge control.

6. An official paper to be sent to every officer of the Order.

7. Conservation and practical use of the Order's resources.

8. Field emissaries to systematize lodge work and business.

9. A comprehensive building program under charge of a commission to furnish plans, details, etc., for construction of temples, castle halls and lodge homes.

10. A bureau of publicity and extension.

11. An enlightened board of literary writers and historians.

12. Permanent National Headquarters for the Supreme Lodge in its own building.

13. Standardization of lodge government.

14. Educational work among lodges and members.

15. Preparation and preservation of Pythian history.

16. Higher regard for the "honors" of the Order—same not to be given away, as at present.

17. Elimination of useless laws, customs, etc.

18. Cease thinking of the Order in terms of benefits, or anything that savors of commercialism.

19. Higher standards in every Pythian relation.

20. Total abolition of "cheapness" in cost of membership.

21. Initiatory work entirely without use of ritual.

22. Intelligent instruction in "making" Knights of Pythias.

23. More fixed responsibility in conducting the Order's business.

24. Better discipline, with power vested in executive officers, subject to review, to remove from office the lazy, incompetent and indifferent officials.

25. Cohesion and co-ordination throughout the Order.

The Order needs a good measure of rebuilding and reconstruction. Many of the above activities, if properly and intelligently carried out, will make for improvement and success. To do the greater work the Order must do, requires both men and money. What the Supreme Lodge should commence to do this year is to provide for the raising of a FOUNDATION FUND OF TEN MILLION DOLLARS to carry out and carry forward the big work of a truly big fraternity. We cannot expect to raise Ten Million Dollars in one year, but let's do it in ten years, and use the increment in carrying out an intelligent campaign of activities.

From among the foregoing suggestions there may be selected such as may be deemed the more practical—or other movements and undertakings, which, in the judgment of the Supreme Lodge, may be found more desirable and practical. But the main contention is that this Order should now fashion itself for a greater work than it has ever undertaken. From a purely Pythian standpoint, we would direct attention to the following subjects that appeal with strong emphasis in the direction of bettering the Order's general condition and affording a program that may unite the activity and ambition of the Order at large:

*Field Deputies.* Systematic field work and lodge instruction is a matter of decided importance in the Order's development. The Supreme Lodge should have in its employ a number of members, first-class men, who, as deputies, are capable of rendering adequate field service, and available at all times to Grand Domains. Their compensation should be borne by the Supreme Lodge, and arrangements made with grand lodges to share in the cost of such work, whereby the maintenance and traveling expenses shall be assumed by Grand Domains wherein this service is rendered.

*Pythian Homes.* The Order at large should undertake the maintenance of an international home for aged and indigent members, also a home for the care and education of orphans, and a sanatorium for members afflicted with tuberculosis and pulmonary disease. As regards the "homes," it would seem reasonable to take over, assist, or nationalize, some of the institutions already established.

*National Pythian Paper.* There is need for an official Pythian publication not only as a medium of communication among members of the Order but to accentuate Pythian education, information, and general promotion work. It has repeatedly been suggested that such a publication should be sent to all members of the Order, but we hold to the opinion that a circulation of 100,000 copies monthly would suffice to cover the field and supply all members occupying official positions in the various Pythian bodies—meaning the officers of all subordinate lodges, grand lodges, deputies, committees, grand and supreme representatives—and in addition thereto the maintenance of a general circulation list among members of the Order who express a desire to receive the official publication.

*Pythian Capitol.* While it may be a far cry to indulge the thought or hope, the suggestion is made that the Pythian Order should be first among the larger fraternities of its character to establish international headquarters in its own Capitol building, in some city to be selected by the Supreme Lodge—for instance, the City of Washington, birthplace of the Order—wherein should be established the official headquarters of every department and auxiliary of the Order, and from which would radiate all governmental work, and all enterprises to carry forward the Order's activities.

*Building Program.* Grand lodges should maintain their business headquarters, if possible, in a distinctively Pythian building located in the most accessible city in each Domain. In every community wherever possible, and especially in the larger centers of population, the Order should occupy its building, or at least maintain headquarters thoroughly in keeping with Pythian needs. Too many lodges are "tenant" occupants of obscure rooms in buildings of varying utility. In every Pythian city of any prominence it should be known generally by the people in these communities where the Knights of Pythias is established. The suggestion of such a building program does not mean an attempt to raise funds of the tremendous magnitude required to erect Pythian temples at the sole expense of such fund—but, rather, that the Supreme Lodge shall be in position to substantially aid and encourage such enterprises.

*Pythian Foundation Fund.* Any constructive program must be considered from the standpoint of its adaptability and permanent character, and will require not only earnest application, but adequate finances. Whatever is undertaken must have for its objective the elements of constructive development. Steps should be taken to establish a Pythian Foundation Fund for the purpose of doing the larger things to which the order should be committed, measures as herein suggested, and similar projects—the fund to be raised by an adequate and convenient system of permanent revenue, such as a moderate income of five or ten cents per year from each member; a portion of each initiation fee, say one dollar per applicant or a fixed percentage; and by donations, bequests and free-will offerings. We are sufficiently sanguine in our appreciation of the progressive spirit of the order to believe that many members would be pleased to be enrolled as annual contributors to such a Foundation Fund; also that there are members who, in the full knowledge of waning life, would gladly make provision to bequeath from the estate substantial assistance to such a fund. Upon the commemoration of the order's natal day, which, always and everywhere, should be made an occasion of decided Pythian importance,

an opportunity should be afforded the general membership to make a free-will offering to this fund.

### PROGRESSIVE PYTHIAN ACTIVITIES.

This office very frequently receives communications from subordinate lodges asking "what can be done to make conventions interesting?" and "how can we proceed to bring out a large attendance?" Questions similar to the expressions above quoted are almost of daily occurrence, evidencing that many lodges are in a "rut" from which it is hard to extricate themselves. There is no "cure all" for prevailing lethargy in lodge circles, but it is reasonably sure that unless the spark of energy is entirely dead, almost any lodge that is experiencing what is commonly known as "dry rot," can revitalize itself if but a few members have the will to do so.

Dormant lodges are not liable to spring suddenly into a revival. It requires in the first instance that some earnest thought be given to the lodge situation, that plans of some kind be formulated, that some one or more members must take the initiative and "start something." What may best fit the local situation with respect to any one inactive lodge, may not be applicable to all such lodges generally; but there is no lodge that cannot be improved if the disposition and determination to do so exists from within, from among those who are in direct charge of lodge affairs. We suggest hereunder a few thoughts that may be helpful to those who are earnestly seeking better things and better conditions in lodge circles:

1. Any lodge, worthy the name, should be ambitious to increase its membership. To generate interest and lodge prosperity, there is nothing better than good, clean, impressive, intelligent ritualistic work. Each lodge should set a goal for membership attainment, and in prosecuting this work the feature of forming small classes, say of five or seven candidates, is decidedly worth while. Such a class should be started for each month, say for three or four months, with a special committee appointed to have charge of each class and keep it intact from rank to rank. Feature each class by taking and preserving a class photograph. Present to each member of each class a lapel button when the rank of knight is conferred, and also present to the members who secure the applications and form the classes, some emblem or jewel in token of appreciation of their work.

2. Send a special letter to each member of the lodge urging them to report the name and address of a non-affiliated member. Encourage them to "look around" and ferret out these non-affiliants. Furnish a printed card whereby the name and address of such members may be reported to the lodge, so that a special committee may look after the stray members, and conduct the correspondence necessary to bring about their reaffiliation with the order.

3. Set apart one convention each month as a "Past Chancellors' Night," when these members will conduct the affairs of the lodge, or at least confer the "rank" for that evening. Call a meeting of the past chancellors and form them into a "booster club" for the lodge.

4. Hold an "open convention" at least every quarter and invite all members, their families and friends, to participate. Arrange an appropriate program with at least one principal speaker to deliver an address on the meaning and purpose of the order.

5. Appoint a publicity committee to prepare literature, notices, printed matter, etc., and send copies to all members. Invite the members to make suggestions as to plans to improve the lodge spirit. Arrange for a "question box" at some stated convention and urge the members to ask any question they may desire concerning the work, history and laws of the order—any Pythian subject that they may desire to bring up for lodge consideration.

6. Anniversary days should not be overlooked, such as the order's natal day, the lodge anniversary, etc. History is made and marked by past events. Hunt out the veteran members and make them "honor guests" at some convention. We are all human, and all appreciate the attention and courtesies that go with such recognition.

7. Above all, talk, act, preach and promote patriotism and loyalty, the duty and responsibility of citizenship. The more this can be emphasized, the better. Find out some way whereby the lodge may do some effective public community work—some plan whereby the order can be of real service to the home town or city.

8. Furnish each member with an annual statement of the condition and financial affairs of the lodge, and make this comparative with the year preceding. The vital statistics and financial condition of the average lodge is not known to the membership. Tell them.

9. Lodge officers constitute its board of directors. They should come together at frequent intervals, purely in an executive capacity, and apart from the regular convention. Get together for a noon or evening meeting; have lunch together; talk



over the lodge situation; take account of stock; map out a program of activities; appoint committees from among the members, giving all members (or as many as possible) something to do. Lodge government, generally speaking, is a minority government; the few do, the many don't; tell the members what you, the officers, want done, and put them on their mettle to do these things. Don't wait for "something to turn up" at lodge, or you're liable to wait in vain. Start something among the board of directors.

The man who says that a dormant Pythian lodge cannot be revived, is himself dead in the shell. There is no such thing as "it can't be done," and the member who entertains this notion should be "shown" that he's entirely wrong. If the lodge is worth the re-making, repair its weakest link and keep on repairing. If it is useless to itself, the order, or society, apply chloroform, and let its demise be as peaceful as possible—for without life, energy, ambition or assets, it isn't worth a picayune.

#### PYTHIAN KNIGHTHOOD IN EUROPE.

What may be termed as something "devoutly to be wished," is the opportunity that undoubtedly may be afforded in the no distant future to bring about the introduction of Pythian knighthood in European countries. "Humanity" is a momentous word these days, and more and more the people of the world are being brought together in common ties—where the welfare of any particular people should be, and must be, the concern of all.

While it may be true that there are members who hold to the view that the Pythian order has sufficient work to do to strengthen itself in the land of its founding, nevertheless, in keeping with the broader scope of world welfare and human brotherhood, as the occasion affords to extend the Pythian influence, every such favorable opportunity should be embraced. To deny one section of our own country the advantage and right of Pythian establishment because some other section may not be making the progress desired, is in no sense an argument against the Order's propagation. As time runs on, newer fields for Pythian expansion are bound to materialize, and it would be the height of folly for progressive Pythianism to hold itself aloof from such advantages.

Take, for instance, the official introduction of this order in England. What a splendid opportunity is afforded from the fact that Canada and Australia, chief among the great peoples constituting the British Empire, are both so well represented in Pythian work. This is especially true of Canada, and surely through the great Canadian gateway, by reason of language, customs, aspirations, coalition, let alone blood relationship, every suggestion prompts the expectant hope that the Pythian order may find permanent lodgment in the mother country.

Pythian knighthood is not, and cannot remain, provincial; its field, its work, its mission is as broad as humanity, and we can conceive of no better agency or medium whereby the peoples of the old world may be knit more closely together with their friends and common brothers in the new world, than through the agencies of fraternal intercourse, an intermingling membership. No grander work lies before this great modern fraternity than the cultivation of this broader spirit of Pythian fellowship.

The author of this report long has been wedded to the view that Pythian expansion is decidedly worthy of cultivation, and the running of time, coupled with intimate knowledge of Pythian hopes and conditions that exist among lodges and members represented in the outlying districts, has only served to strengthen the conviction that every favorable opportunity should be embraced to extend the beneficent influences of this Order to other lands and other people. Many close students of Pythian affairs have, at various times, given expression of their views on this subject matter. "Hands across the seas" has been a pleasing subject

for consideration and approval. The late Carroll S. Bartram, Supreme Representative of Minnesota, a deep Pythian thinker and able writer, said:

"Spread the light of Pythianism into France and England by the establishment at first of a lodge in each country. With a definite objective, the spread of the order throughout Europe, especially after the contact with Americanism which the French and English have experienced, would be surprising. Why hide so great a light under its present skies?"

Past Supreme Chancellor Tracy R. Bangs, in a letter bearing the same title as the above sub-head, expressed his views in the following language:

"When I look at the part that has been played in this war by the Americans—in which I mean the boys from the United States and Canada—and realize that both countries are homes of fraternal societies, it seems to me that we must attribute much of the spirit with which the boys of these two countries entered the war, and much of the spirit that backed them here at home, was by reason of the admirable lessons learned in the lodge room. The principles that have been enunciated by the countries fighting for the right, are principles that have been taught in lodge rooms, and it required no propaganda to put the people of the United States and Canada right. It seems to me that we would be missing a splendid opportunity if we failed to take steps to organize Pythian lodges in France and England. We ought not to withhold from the people of Europe the benefits and blessings of this great order."

Editor O. P. Gresham, of The Texas Pythian Banner-Knight, published an able editorial on the subject matter of "Pythians in Other Lands," in which he said:

"The world needs to be bound together by stronger ties of brotherhood, and if our great and splendid order will light its campfires where there is so much darkness and suffering, hundreds and thousands will avail themselves of the opportunity to become members. We should unfold the Pythian flag over there, and our order should find its most capable man, or men, to carry and spread the sunshine of Pythianism throughout Europe. The time has come to get busy right now. We have something that the whole world needs. Let us put new blood and greater energy behind the cause, and set about determinedly to introduce the blessings of this beneficent order in Europe."

#### COUNTRY FILLED WITH EX-MEMBERS.

An Eastern Pythian now sojourning in California, says: "I meet ex-Pythians everywhere, and there are enough of them in California who, if reinstated and transferred to this domain, would furnish a membership exceeding that reported by Ohio." At the present time, as per latest official reports, there are fully 50,000 (probably more) former members of this order who are "out on suspension" in California alone. The same situation exists in practically all grand domains, with the probability that Western domains have a greater proportion of former members of sister domains, from the well known fact that "Westward the tide of empire takes its way." Any analysis of this condition will show that the greater number of suspended members are those who, back home, were lodge members only, who rarely were impressed with the thought of order-wide citizenship. Once away from the home lodge circle, they became out of touch, and the most of them never really had any Pythian experience save and except as was afforded in their mother lodge. Rarely, indeed, can be found any former member of the order who does not entertain full appreciation of the worth and work of the Pythian cause, and with this fact in mind it reasonably may be concluded that, having taken up permanent residence in another domain, they gladly would re-affiliate with the Order upon proper invitation. Probably not one suspended member out of ten knows how to proceed to secure reinstatement and transfer. No greater nor better work can be done than that each grand domain shall inaugurate the machinery of forming and operating "reclamation bureaus" for the purpose of reclaiming to the order as many as possible of these ex-members, the bureau to conduct all the correspondence relative to reinstatement, and transfer where same is desirable or necessary.

### "GOOD STANDING."

The oldest student member of this order is not old enough to recall the time when the question of "good standing" was not under more or less discussion, and entirely by reason of the fact that the laws and statutes of the order never have clarified this term by giving to it satisfactory interpretation.

From a communication recently at hand it appears that the term, "good standing," is no better understood now than it was in "ye olden tyme," when the term was the subject of official decisions galore, even analyzed and explained (?) in the "digests" of the order. The latest groping for information reads as follows:

"Having had several discussions in our lodge we find that no two members are agreed on the subject, and we want to know just when a member is, and when he is not in good standing."

There you have it. This question has to do with the "good standing" of a member in a subordinate lodge—a question that has not, after all the years, been answered either by statute or decision to the satisfaction of the membership. Section 236, Supreme Statutes, defines good standing under three headings: (a) if he is not under suspension, (b) if he has not renounced the Order, and (c) if not more than twelve months in arrears for dues. While these reasons may be expressive and plainly understood, they do not clarify, nor do they satisfy the "seeker after knowledge."

The first reason is ridiculous on its face, because if the member be "under suspension," he certainly has no standing that is "good" in any sense of his membership. Renunciation of the order is nothing better than a play upon words, because it so rarely occurs, and if so, the occasion is so remote that "renouncing" the order may never be known, officially, by the lodge. The third statement comprehends an extended arrearage for dues without disturbing the "standing" of the member, thus adding further confusion. Supreme law neither controls nor compels the payment of dues. The statutes provide that members "may" be required to pay. A suspended or an expelled member surely is not in good standing, because he is "not a member," and hence, as such, has no "standing" in actual membership composition. He has rights, to be sure, such as the privilege of reinstatement, but that's another matter. That this much-mooted question should be clearly determined by law, must be apparent to all members.

We hold to the opinion that the only safe way to treat this question is to declare that no member is in good standing who is not in possession of, or entitled to, the current semi-annual password.

### ANTE-ROOM RITUALISM.

Conferring the Grand Lodge rank, or the Supreme Lodge rank, while the "work" itself is notable because of its brevity and lack of meaning and importance, nevertheless, ritualistically and otherwise, they are ceremonies that, correctly speaking, may only be exemplified before these respective bodies in convention assembled.

Almost any member of the Order, who has had experience in subordinate lodge work, more especially during the heyday of instituting lodges, may recall instances where candidates, delayed in reaching the convention hall until after the initiatory work had commenced, were "instructed" in the ante-room, up to the point where the charter candidates had participated in the ceremonies, and then taken their place in the class.

At Grand Lodge conventions, as in the Supreme Lodge, conferring the Grand Lodge rank on past chancellors is made a set feature at the opening session, and thereafter, when the body has become engrossed in its busi-

ness, other past chancellors appearing for the rank have not infrequently received the instruction at the hands of a committee sent to the ante-room for that purpose. Sometimes, but not always, these newly instructed past chancellors in the mysteries (?) of this rank, have been formally introduced to the Grand Lodge during a lull in the proceedings. However, it very often happens that no introduction and no report ever is made that the rank was thus conferred.

Practically the same custom obtains in the Supreme Lodge, although this body, at least for the first two days of the convention, invariably confers the Supreme Lodge rank at the opening of each session. There have been many times, however, when ante-room initiation has been resorted to—sometimes reported to the convention, and sometimes not so reported—with the result that no record is available showing that they received the rank. As a case in point, the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal was questioned as to why the official record of 1916 failed to show that a certain past grand chancellor had received the supreme lodge rank at that convention. Naturally, an inquiry was started, and it was found that in this particular instance the rank had been conferred in the ante-room, and that no report had been made thereof. It further developed that three past grand chancellors were thus instructed at this time—the one who announced the fact being unable to recall who his two companions were.

Perhaps it may be a trivial matter, but we contend that neither the Grand Lodge rank nor the Supreme Lodge rank legally can be conferred save and except as is provided by the respective rituals.

### SICK BENEFITS IN LODGES.

Practically from the time of its inception the Pythian order has been committed to the "beneficial" feature, meaning sick and funeral benefits, its expenditures for which purpose, for many years has approached two million dollars. All of such expenditures naturally come out of the fixed income of the lodge—dues and membership fees—the dues income being more permanent than the increment from initiation and other membership fees.

In considering this matter, the conclusion long ago was reached that, in fixing the rate of annual dues, a known proportion thereof is necessary for membership maintenance, with an unknown proportion to meet the hazard of such benefits as the by-laws of the lodge may provide. There are a great many members of this Order, in beneficial lodges, who have no interest whatsoever in any feature of benefits, save the abstract proposition that the lodge, by this process, is doing much good in the maintenance of relief work. Popular thought, however, suggests that funds for the payment of benefits should be collected apart from the fundamental amount required for the maintenance of good standing in the Order.

Jefferson Valley Lodge No. 11, Birmingham, Alabama, has undertaken to find a solution of this perplexing question by amending its by-laws in accordance with the following provisions:

#### SICK BENEFITS AND RELIEF.

This lodge shall not be committed to allowances of weekly sick benefits or a stipulated funeral benefit, payable from the general fund. It shall be the continued rule in this lodge to keep the regular dues required of each member at a uniform rate, sufficient for general administration of its affairs, and to impose no extra compulsory assessment on its members. The receipts of the general fund shall be used discreetly in the matter of voting pecuniary aid. All such relief shall be optional with the lodge, and on the recommendation of the relief committee, measured by the necessities found to exist in each case reported.



## SPECIAL FUND FOR FUNERAL BENEFIT.

Each and every member desiring to make provision for a funeral benefit, and the lodge the medium of distribution, shall be given the privilege to adopt a mutual, voluntary plan that will be satisfactory to themselves, its administration being conducted within the lodge, at its regular or special conventions. All payments by the participants shall be known as "special dues" and be acknowledged by official receipts of the established form. The said fund shall be kept and accounted separately from the general fund.

## PYTHIAN LODGE DIRECTORY.

The annual publication of the Official Pythian Lodge Directory is more and more becoming a task requiring the extreme limits of patience by reason of the widespread lacking of appreciation shown by the order generally. The publication of the directory involves a serious loss to the Supreme Lodge, in that, although decidedly valuable, so few copies are sold that it seems like a waste of money to entail the expense. The directory is purely and simply a service work, without a statutory enactment requiring its publication. From the fact that Grand Domains cannot or will not prepare and furnish their portion of the "copy" and official information as to lodges, the year is half gone before the book can be printed—and even then much of the information is stale. As an "organization," the Pythian order cannot lay very much claim to this distinction until the whole body of the order is unified and co-ordinated. When it requires three, four and five months, even longer, to get reports and statements of an official character, there is little room to either boast or claim that efficiency predominates. This subject matter is officially presented to the Supreme Lodge with the hope that some legislation may remedy existing conditions.

## DEFUNCT LODGES.

Whenever a subordinate lodge becomes defunct, it follows as a matter of course as well as law, that its books, property and effects revert immediately to the Grand Lodge—or to the Supreme Lodge where a subordinate lodge was under immediate control. Past experience has taught that many lodges die a slow death, largely by reason of indifference, and their property—even books of record and account—are almost beyond recovery. The matter of preserving membership records in this Order, or in any society, is one of extreme importance, but it very frequently happens that officers of Grand Lodges, also of the Supreme Lodge, must resort to affidavits, examinations, etc., in order to establish the identity of former members, more especially their financial standing when the lodge became defunct. "Hope of revival" often is nursed as a reason why no one with authority takes possession of the books of such lodges. In all domains and districts there is great need for the exercise of proper care at the proper time, otherwise valuable Pythian membership statistics are irrevocably lost or destroyed.

## TRIBUNALS "OUT OF WORK."

The judicial department of Pythian government, both supreme and grand, is decidedly in "clover" these days; or, to put it the other way, the Order is so busy doing good work, and so harmonious, that business "in court" is practically at a standstill. Robert A. Brown, of Indiana, is the recorder of the Supreme Tribunal, and speaking of that department said:

"You may be interested to know that there was no business on the docket which necessitated the holding of the regular January sitting of the supreme tribunal. I think we may assume that this is a high tribute to our order. The pathway seems to be so well blazed, and the spirit of harmony so prevalent, that there is little or no litigation. The grand tribunal of Indiana has not had a case to decide in five years. Ain't that a grand and glorious feeling to contemplate?"

"Bob" is right about that "grand and glorious feeling," and speaking about judicial tribunals generally, we have no hesitancy in repeating our long-ago thought that this Order has little need for such elaborate court machinery as we have had since 1894. We long have believed that the executives of this Order should be clothed with authority to render "official decisions," and we further believe that every point of Pythian law, or any question involving same, may easily and more readily be determined by and through a law department, such as a committee on law, or, better yet, one man acting as attorney-general—with his decisions and opinions subject to review by the Pythian bodies having jurisdiction.

#### RAISING MEMBERSHIP FEES.

The Pythian order does not need to resort to or revert to the "high cost of living" to justify it in placing an adequate value on fees for the ranks of knighthood. We have contended against "cheap initiations" until the subject has well-nigh exhausted our fraternal patience. But thanks to the appreciation and sanity of many lodges, this question now is receiving due consideration. Citing Wisconsin as a sample, lodges in that domain by the score have increased their fees from \$15 to \$30, \$40 and \$50, and in every instance this step has been a boon to the lodge and the Order. With them, "a man must measure up well in the scale of manhood, or he is not admitted," and they have found that "cheapness" in every particular is a false premise. With proper initiation, the true *making* of Knights of Pythias, the question of membership fee solves itself. This Order must no longer operate as the "cheapest institution of its kind in town" and expect to hold its prestige among men who appreciate real worth and who are willing to pay for values received.

#### LAW NOT RETROACTIVE.

The Supreme Lodge in 1916 adopted an amendment to paragraph "a" of article vi, Supreme Constitution, entitled "the honors of the order," by adding to said paragraph the following provision for the attainment of the honor of past chancellor on consolidation: "and by the chancellor commander of a subordinate lodge which shall merge with another subordinate lodge, notwithstanding the fact he shall not have served until the end of his term."

This question was raised many years ago, practically upon occasion of the consolidation of the first lodges that voted to merge, and for some years thereafter urgent pleas were made that the Supreme Constitution be so amended as to make provision for the attainment of the honor under such circumstances. An amendment to this end was "agreed to" by the Supreme Lodge in 1914, and the proposition was referred to Grand Lodges. Two years later, in 1916, the proposition came before the Supreme Lodge for final action, at which time the amendment was adopted. The amendment had no sooner been officially promulgated when the question arose as to whether its provisions could be made "retroactive." The Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal was appealed to concerning this phase of the situation, and gave his opinion that, by reason of the expressed language of the amendment where it reads "which shall merge," that it could not be held to be retroactive. At the 1918 convention of the Supreme Lodge, the subject matter was officially referred to the committee on judiciary, which committee unanimously reported "that the amendment is not retroactive." This report was adopted by the Supreme Lodge.

Now comes a lodge in California with the statement that one of its members, who has reached the veteran distinction, some years ago served for nine months as chancellor commander up to the time of the consolidation of his lodge with a sister lodge, and in whose behalf they ask and

urge that he be officially reported and enrolled as a past chancellor. Undoubtedly there are many similar cases that could be so ascertained by searching the records, but, as above shown, the boon craved cannot be granted. It hardly need be questioned that the Supreme Lodge may have intended to extend this honor to chancellors commander serving at time of consolidation, and the amendment so providing would have been effective had it been made to read in favor of those "who shall have served."

#### LOOKING AFTER DELINQUENTS.

A recent communication to this office contained the following expression: "In the present mad rush to secure new members by initiation would it not profit the Order as much, if not more, to exercise the same degree of energy in the retention of members?" The brother is right. The door of suspension has been wide open in this Order for many years, and while the annual initiations show an average of 50,000, the suspensions each year reach almost the same total, and some years show an excess.

Suspension of members for non-payment of dues has furnished the most difficult problem that ever has confronted this Order, and no man has yet come forward with a remedy. We have been seeking a "Moses" for many years, but he is apparently as far in the background as ever. This question is one that largely has been considered from the standpoint of the result, rather than the cause why our annual losses are so tremendous. The true reason why this Order is the premier "suspension" society may be argued from several standpoints, and among them may be mentioned the indifference of lodges, lack of proper effort at the proper time, the low ebb of lodge interest, scattered membership, and the method of securing new members by too zealous solicitation.

Commencing at the beginning, when membership "drives" are the popular order of the day, a great many applications are procured where the applicant is not particularly interested, but submits to the urgent appeal of friends to "join the crowd." As a rule, the fee for membership is a nominal sum, in no sense an investment that gives him any particular financial concern, and, lacking interest at the beginning, he fails to find any impelling incentive to continue his membership.

Too many lodges have "nothing to offer" in the way of example, interest, work, lodge surrounding and environment, and after attending a few conventions he commences to lose interest and is rarely seen in lodge thereafter. Many lodges, for various reasons, meet irregularly, members become scattered, out of touch, with the inevitable result that they get behind in their dues. Only in rare instances do lodge officers make any particular exertion to collect dues until about the end of the year when reports are due. In many instances, by reason of removals, the address of absent members is unknown.

When the time arrives for the lodge, often in response to urgent appeals from grand officers to render official reports, the prevailing and reasonable tendency is to suspend members rather than deplete the exchequer by paying per capita tax on those who are sufficiently delinquent to warrant suspension. Stern necessity, for financial reasons, often compels lodges to indulge in wholesale suspension, and this "cleaning house" process goes on year after year.

Subordinate lodge officers can render this Order no greater service than exercising proper care and diligence in keeping all members in good standing, collecting dues in advance, doing this work when it should be done—and, above all, in correcting the conditions set forth above that so potently contribute to an enlarged delinquent list. It is an old and true saying "that a member saved is a member gained."

## MEMBERSHIP STATUS IN ABSENCE OF LODGE RECORDS.

There have been many cases where former members of this Order have experienced extreme difficulty in proving their former membership status after the records of the lodge have been lost or destroyed. These instances mainly occur after a lapse of years when such members seek reinstatement or card. An instance in point was quite recently brought to our attention with the statement that, some years ago, a brother took a withdrawal card from his lodge. The lodge subsequently consolidated, and the records of the consolidated lodge were destroyed by fire, as also were the Grand Lodge records. He applied to the consolidated lodge for a "duplicate" card, which was denied on the ground that no record of his former membership was available. This experience, especially as regards the absence of records, not infrequently arises with former members of defunct lodges, hence the question presents itself as to what course shall be followed? The member hardly is qualified to be re-initiated, and any such procedure, as is well understood, would be farcical.

No matter what the circumstances may be, there usually is some plan, some link, some source, whereby information may be obtained that will establish the fact of his former membership. His case should be taken over by a committee, and, if necessary, the applicant should justify his right by affidavit. He also, in the absence of any receipt, or lodge document, can easily recall about when he was initiated, where the lodge was located, who were its officers or members, or some of them; and he may further be carefully examined as to his knowledge of the Order, its ritualistic and other work, and the cause and manner of his retirement from active membership. Any committee, or individual, can ascertain from the applicant, these facts, and may also have them substantiated by some member, or former member, of the lodge to which the applicant belonged. When convinced of the justness of the applicant's claim, substantiated by his affidavit and the recommendation of the committee, there is little reason to deny his application. Under such circumstances, a subordinate lodge, or the Grand Lodge, would be justified in issuing a card, or granting a petition for reinstatement, as the case might be.

## REINSTATEMENT AND TRANSFER.

From information being constantly received, it is very evident that no provisions of the Supreme Statutes are less understood, or where more confusion exists, than with reference to the laws regulating the reinstatement of members and transfer to another lodge. We are also advised that "confusion exists", with reference to the dismissal certificate, even though the statutes relating to this certificate have been repealed. The suggestion has been received at this office "that a pamphlet be prepared giving simple, terse, educational information on the manner and method of reinstatement and transfer, and that copies of said pamphlet be distributed to all subordinate lodges, and to members when inquiries on these points are made."

There can be no denying the fact that the statutes are cumbersome and confusing on both these important points, so much so that they operate against facilitating either reinstatement or transfer. The laws regulating same are not only complicated, but expensive, whereas neither of these conditions should exist. A careful reading of the statutes governing these matters, and the several amendments thereto, remind one of the dizzy complications, conditions and requirements of the federal income tax blanks. It should be a matter of comparative ease for a member to transfer from one lodge to another, and with the very min-



imum of expense, and likewise as regards the reinstatement of a suspended member. This latter point is by no means generally understood among lodges, and is less understood by members under suspension.

Even to prepare such a pamphlet as has been suggested would not mean the solution of the difficulties encountered, and for the very good reason that the correct formula, even reduced to extreme brevity, would mean the setting forth of this, that and the other condition—too many conditions. It may be that the proposed "membership card," in lieu of all other cards, will satisfy, or at least harmonize, the procedure in both these important matters, but if not, it clearly follows that the laws with direct reference to reinstatement and transfer must be revamped, boiled down, and made more intelligent and workable.

### "REINSTATEMENT PERIOD."

Grand Chancellor Walter G. Rathbone, of Missouri, decreed that "replacement units must be formed" in order to fill Pythian ranks depleted by suspensions and the "white plague" of indifference, and to accomplish this he proclaimed a "reinstatement period" to cover the period of two months. He urged all chancellors commander to appoint committees to take charge of a drive with this object in view.

We can well afford to commend any worthy undertaking that has for its objective the acquirement, reclamation or retention of members, but we cannot overlook our views as expressed many years ago, that it seems passing strange that this Order is so managed that we must constantly and continuously keep up this "churning" process—suspending members by wholesale, and then breaking our necks to secure their reinstatement usually at a cost much less than the amount such members were owing at time of suspension. It hardly looks like good business to invoke suspension for failure or refusal to pay dues, and then approach these same men and encourage their "come back" at nominal cost, without reference to, or regard for, the account which they failed to pay.

That there may be no misunderstanding relative to our position in this matter, we again present the platform enunciated by the writer over a quarter century ago, viz: "*When a member has been suspended for non-payment of dues he should not be restored to active membership and good standing until he shall have paid to his lodge the full amount of his indebtedness at time of suspension.*" We further hold to the conviction that no suspended member should be reinstated by any lodge other than the lodge in which and by which he was suspended.

We are frequently told that "old foggy" notions are out of date, and that customs which prevailed years ago do not jibe with present modern methods. Be that as it may, it is nothing short of business nonsense to suspend members for their failure to pay dues, and then hold out to these same members the privilege of returning to front seats without requiring at least the payment by them of the amount which, by reason of their failure to pay, they were suspended. The argument also can be made—is made—that a great many lodges are "down and out," and that, while in such condition, members will not pay their dues, hence receive no direct benefit for the amount charged against them as such dues, and from such members come the greater proportion of the enormous suspension lists. We have yet to learn where property taxes are abated because a man has gone out of business. There should be the same basis of reasonable business in lodge government, and until the order reaches this level, we will continue this ridiculous custom of constantly "churning the membership" for the sole purpose of making a temporary showing.

### "RECOGNITION" SIGN URGED.

The suggestion has come from an eastern Grand Domain that a "sign of recognition" be adopted for mutual use by and between Knights of Pythias and Pythian Sisters, the brother making the suggestion also urged that such sign be provided for in connection with the forthcoming cipher ritual. As to this latter suggestion, all familiar with the situation and the manner and method by which changes are made in the Order's written and unwritten work, will clearly understand that such a sign cannot at this time be promulgated. The cipher ritual treats entirely and exclusively with the ritualistic text—the written work only.

The question of adopting a sign of recognition, such as is herein suggested, was before the Supreme Lodge at its convention in 1914, at which time a proposition to provide such a sign was rejected in secret session. The opinion generally prevails, especially among those who have given this matter careful consideration, that a method of "recognition" should be adopted by the two orders directly interested, and officially included in their respective unwritten work. The way to accomplish this is to reintroduce necessary legislation in the Supreme Lodge, and provide for a conference with officers or representatives of the two kindred orders, for mutual agreement on the subject matter.

### TRANSFER OF MEMBERSHIP.

"Will you please tell me if it is possible for a member to make application for membership by transfer without paying dues sixty days in advance?" This is but one of many questions that are asked relative to the transfer of membership from one lodge to another. The lodge making this request further states: "We have received requests for and have issued transfer cards under the impression that the lodge asking for the card would assume all indebtedness of the applicant, and that we could issue the card and collect back dues from the lodge making the request."

Chapter x, division iii, part ii, Supreme Statutes, relating to "transfer cards," was almost entirely rewritten in the amendments enacted at the convention of 1916, the new statutes making very clear provision that the transfer of membership is directly consummated by and between lodges, and not, as heretofore, privileging the individual member to procure a card and present same personally to the lodge to which he desired to transfer. The present law provides that a member desiring to transfer his membership may apply for membership to the lodge to which he wishes to transfer, "whenever he shall be in possession of an official receipt showing his dues paid two months in advance." A strict construction of this statute contemplates that he is not in position to make such application until he shall have paid dues to his home lodge as above indicated.

If elected to membership in the lodge to which he makes application, said lodge then requests the lodge to which he belongs to issue and forward a transfer card—not to the member direct, but to the lodge wherein he has been elected. Upon receipt of the card the member immediately becomes a member of the lodge to which he made application. The lodge receiving the card must notify the lodge of issue, and refund to the issuing lodge all dues paid in advance of the date—not of the applicant's election, but the date when the card was received. The process is easy and simple, and will run as smoothly as clock work, if the two lodges gives prompt attention to the matter.

### REINSTATEMENT OF PAGES AND ESQUIRES.

A grand chancellor advises that he and the grand keeper of records and seal of his domain "do not agree" on the question that a page or an

esquire, in possession of a suspension certificate, can be reinstated except by the lodge by which such page or esquire has been suspended. The point is attempted to be made, that a page or esquire "cannot visit a lodge other than the one of which he is a member," and the further point that the "fee for the rank of knight belongs to the lodge wherein the member received the rank of page, or ranks of page and esquire, as the case may be."

Both these two "points" have no bearing whatsoever on the matter of the reinstatement of such an applicant and his receiving the rank of knight in a sister lodge. The "ranks" of this order represent, in fact, merely the grade or grades of membership. A "member" of the Order is a person upon whom any "rank" legally has been conferred. Any "member" of any rank may be suspended, or retire by card, the certificate or the card indicating on its face the "rank" the member has attained. A page or an esquire, in possession of a suspension certificate, may be reinstated in his own lodge, or any other lodge, the same as though he had attained the rank of knight. When so reinstated in a lodge other than the one by which he was suspended, his membership in that lodge is established, and of the "rank" he has attained. He is entitled to advancement in the lodge wherein he is reinstated, and the fee for the ranks to be attained belongs to that lodge, and not to the lodge of his original membership.

#### SUSPENSION CERTIFICATE NECESSARY FOR REINSTATEMENT IN A SISTER LODGE.

The question has been asked: "If a suspended member desires to be reinstated in a lodge other than the one wherein he was suspended, must he have a suspension certificate?" The answer is, "Yes." The brother asking this question cited section 241, Supreme Statutes, in which section no reference is made to the suspension certificate, although provision is made for the reinstatement of a suspended member by a sister lodge. The section that really governs is 232, which also relates to reinstatement, but in connection with the use of a certificate. The law requires each lodge to issue a suspension certificate to each suspended member, and with this certificate he may apply for reinstatement in any lodge. Naturally, without such certificate, the lodge to which he applies would be entirely without official knowledge as to the date, lodge and facts regarding his suspension.

#### TO LESSEN SUSPENSIONS.

It is to be hoped that the Order at large, while energetically seeking to increase membership by initiation, is not overlooking the equally important matter of conserving the present membership by taking every possible step to collect arrearage dues and thus lessen the number of suspensions. While some lodges long have made it a special and continuing order of business to keep their membership intact, with dues collected up, by far the great majority of lodges operate along entirely different lines—allowing the delinquent list to grow and grow, and then, after making a late, desperate effort to collect accrued dues, find themselves face to face with the proposition that many of the members are "hopelessly in arrears." It is then that the suspension axe is wielded with a vengeance, and because the exchequer of the lodge is so depleted that it cannot pay its current bills and per capita tax on members who are in arrears sufficient to warrant their suspension. It is by this process that 50,000 members are annually suspended, and accrued dues to the extent of upwards of a quarter million dollars is lost to the Order. Such an economic loss, very largely the result of carelessness, is deplorable—but decidedly the worst

phase of the matter is the greater moral loss upon the Order—the effect of adding another 50,000 members to the vast hordes who have gone out of the Order through the door of suspension.

This Order must get out of the notion that the best evidence of its growth is manifest when large numbers of new members are initiated. What does it profit the Order if we “beat the record” in the matter of initiations, and are unable to “hold” the members we have—and in just a little while slaughter the innocent new members by the same process of suspension crucifixion? One of two things is absolutely certain to assure the future of this Order; we must either expend more and greater energy to keep our members in financial good standing, or the Order must devise some means and method whereby it can retain and hold the interest of members so that the payment of dues will be their voluntary pleasure at regular intervals.

### SUSPENSION CERTIFICATE.

It would seem that there ought be no misunderstanding as regards the issuance and deposit of a suspension certificate and the right of the holder to apply for reinstatement in any lodge, but it appears that some lodges, or lodge officers, hold to the opinion that the holder of such certificate must apply for reinstatement to the lodge that issued the certificate. One keeper of records and seal, who holds to this view, bases his contention on the language of the statute that the application for reinstatement shall be “subject to all the requirements and provisions pertaining to the reinstatement of a suspended member,” and makes the point that the language as quoted means that he must apply to his former lodge. There is no basis whatever for any such view as this, as the very statute in which the above language appears clearly provides that the holder of a certificate may apply for reinstatement “to any lodge,” and further reads that when the application is presented “to any lodge other than the one issuing the certificate” it shall be accompanied by the reinstatement fee of the lodge issuing the certificate and also the fee for deposit of a withdrawal card. The language, “subject to all requirements,” in this instance means the general provisions of eligibility, investigation, ballot, etc. In enacting these statutes, the view was held, and rightly, that in most cases the lodge to which the applicant applies and in whose jurisdiction he resides has a better knowledge of his fitness than does the lodge by which he was suspended, especially if his suspension occurred a considerable time before. Even should doubt then exist, it is an easy matter for the lodge, in conducting the investigation, to communicate with the lodge issuing the certificate.

### SUSPENSION CERTIFICATE CANCELLED.

Attention recently was called to the case of a member of a subordinate lodge who had been suspended for non-payment of dues, and who, upon receiving a suspension certificate, immediately “jumped a train” and forthwith appeared at the office of the keeper of records and seal with a confession that he had carelessly omitted to pay his dues, and making an earnest plea that his suspension certificate be cancelled and he be restored to uninterrupted membership. The question arose as to whether the lodge had authority to “cancel” the certificate and thus restore the suspended member to good standing. It is understood that the lodge, after proper hearing and review of all the circumstances, did cancel the certificate, whereupon the delinquent member very readily and willingly “came across” with \$14.50 to pay all his arrearages in full. It appears that the lodge did not “vote” on the question of his suspension, but took the shorter course of “instructing” the keeper of records and seal “to suspend all members in arrears for dues more than one year.”



One of the most farcical things in the Pythian order is the so-called "suspension" of members. There are as many rules, whims and procedure, almost, as there are lodges. In the majority of cases, delinquent members are marked "suspended" without regard to the process defined by statute. Lodges will not pay per capita tax on non-contributing members, and with thousands of members constantly in arrears, an army is "dropped" every year, many of whom are "out" and don't know it. Think of the economic loss of thus dismissing a quarter-million dollars of accrued dues each year, and the greater moral loss of from 40,000 to 50,000 members "read out" or "scratched out" of the order.

### THE OFFICIAL PYTHIAN EMBLEM.

Since the adoption by the Supreme Lodge of the design for the official Pythian lapel button (small triangle), many requests have been received to use this design, enlarged, so as to present in its complete detail the combination of the four triangles as shown on the face of the button, the base of which is also a triangle. As originally intended, the Supreme Lodge was providing for a button design, and that only, without thought or intention that this design was to take the place of any other design or emblem, for display or other purposes, illustrating the Pythian characterization.

Every official jewel of the order is copyrighted, also the design of the seal of the Supreme Lodge. The design of the official lapel button was patented, hence cannot be used or reproduced by anyone without permission of the Supreme Lodge. The center triangle on the lapel button was designed to show, in miniature, a representation of the seal—because of the fact that Pythian law requires that all official jewels of the Order shall thus show the Supreme Lodge seal, or trademark.

For a time the officers of the Supreme Lodge were not disposed to permit the use of the official button design for any other purpose, but, as was to be expected, requests were received for permission to enlarge and display the design on printed stationery, also in the manufacture of novelties such as badges, watch fobs, etc. At no time has permission been given to use the design for lapel button purposes, save and except as such official buttons are procured officially from the Supreme Lodge. Lodges erecting Pythian buildings have made inquiry as to the use of the design in making colored-glass windows, painting stage scenery, and for similar display purposes. The following response was made to one inquiry, which fairly tells the story as to how the official design should be used:

"That you may the better understand this matter, the Supreme Statutes require that all official jewels and emblems of the Order shall bear a representation of the Great Seal of the Supreme Lodge, in miniature. In painting this design on a lodge curtain, or for a similar purpose, it would be inappropriate to undertake to set forth in complete detail the Supreme Lodge seal. In reproducing the center triangle it is only necessary to show therein an outline of a pentagon, with the letters FCB, and, if desired, the floatant on a diagonal staff."

### EXAMINATION OF CANDIDATES.

In connection with the popular movement now prevalent throughout the Order to increase the general Pythian membership, it is worth while to call the attention of lodges to the provisions of law requiring the proper examination of candidates before their advancement. This is not only the right thing to do, but it is mandatory and obligatory. It will mean nothing whatever for lodges to initiate a large number of new members unless these members are properly instructed. For a candidate to merely witness the conferring of ranks, and be a spectator to its various ceremonies, means absolutely nothing more than an evening's entertainment

to him, unless as he progresses from rank to rank, he understands and knows what he is receiving. Railroading candidates through the ranks of knighthood has been the bane of this Order for years, and this is the usual experience where many new members are initiated in record-breaking time.

There are two forms of examination that are obligatory, and both these forms must be used. They are not optional with the lodge. The law requires the chancellor commander, at the time the rank of page has been conferred, to appoint a committee to instruct the candidate—each candidate—in the unwritten work, and for this purpose the form known as the “Official Examination of Candidates in the Ranks of Knighthood,” has been provided by the Supreme Lodge. These forms may be procured by any subordinate lodge by communicating with the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal. Aside from the important questions propounded in this form, there are general instructions relative to conducting the examination, which are very important.

The second form has to do with the “teachings” of the rank, and is known as the “Pythian Catechism,” which embraces minutely the lessons, thought and ideals of the Order, and the duty of its members. By the proper use of these forms, requiring each and every applicant and candidate to be conversant therewith, the process of “making” Knights of Pythias will approach its full meaning. Any disregard of this important work means nothing less than attaining money under false pretenses.

We are led to make these observations by reason of the fact that there seem to be many lodges, judging by inquiries received, that are not familiar with these examination requirements. Again, barring a brief season immediately following the promulgation of these official forms when orders for same were numerous, there has been a dearth of requests for them, and in several instances report has come that lodges were ignorant of their existence and the statutory requirement that they be used in instructing candidates.

Anything worth doing is worth doing well, and surely, from any Pythian standpoint, the most important thing is that in the “making” of Knights of Pythias the job shall be thoroughly done.

#### MEXICAN LODGES.

Undoubtedly it is generally known throughout the Order that, years ago, there were several Pythian lodges instituted in the Republic of Mexico, which lodges originally were under the immediate control of the Supreme Lodge, rendering their reports direct to that body, as is the case with all lodges located in outlying districts. The history of Pythian experience in Mexico furnishes a decidedly interesting chapter, but without attempting in this article to tell the story in all its details, we list hereunder the lodges that were instituted in that country:

Montezuma Lodge No. 1, Chihuahua, instituted in February, 1884; became defunct in 1886. This lodge made but one report and never was heard from again.

Valle de Mexico Lodge No. 2, City of Mexico, instituted March 26, 1891; suspended June 23, 1896; reinstated July 14, 1896.

Columbian Lodge No. 3, San Luis Potosi, instituted January 4, 1894.

Nuevo Leon Lodge No. 4, Monterey, instituted December 31, 1893.

Ciudad Porfiro Diaz Lodge No. 5, Ciudad Porfiro Diaz, instituted November 30, 1895.

Cananea Lodge No. 6, Cananea, instituted April 27, 1903.

Upon request of the Grand Lodge of Texas, Supreme Chancellor Ogden H. Fethers, on August 1, 1901, issued a proclamation by authority of the Supreme Lodge, annexing lodges No. 2, No. 3, No. 4 and No. 5

to the jurisdiction of Texas. Subsequent thereto, Supreme Chancellor Tracy R. Bangs issued an order attaching Cananea Lodge No. 6, Cananea, Sonora, to the Grand Domain of Arizona.

All of the Mexican lodges are now out of existence, and probably will so remain for some time to come. It is very certain that no effort will be made, under existing conditions in that country, to re-establish the former lodges, or institute new lodges.

Occasionally there is received at the office of the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal a request for a card for some former member of a Mexican lodge, which requests, for reasons as above shown, are referred to the Grand Lodges of Texas and Arizona, which Grand Lodges have jurisdiction in all such cases.

#### "LIFE MEMBERSHIP."

The question of "life membership" in the Knights of Pythias really may be said to occupy a place in the Order's "unfinished business," and this question never will be settled until it is settled right. It has time and again been before the Supreme Lodge, and as many times either rejected or ignored. Already, in some domains, a plan of so-called "life membership" is accorded to veteran members, either by certificate, issuance of an annual receipt for dues without pay, or charging a nominal annual due, such as \$1.00 per year. In some other places, a plan is either followed, or under contemplation, to sell life memberships, either on direct purchase, or when stock is sold on a Pythian building enterprise. Ogden Lodge No. 2, Utah, proposes to sell life memberships direct to members upon payment of sums ranging from \$150 to \$75, in accordance with the age of the applicant, the money being invested, and the increment thereof used to maintain financial good standing.

The Supreme Lodge, at its last convention, considered a proposition on "life membership" at a cost of not less than \$100, which proposition was referred to the committee on insurance department with instructions to report at the convention this year. Our thought is that the Supreme Lodge should first authorize life membership, same to be under the control of grand lodges to such extent as may be deemed best, and that all life membership interest earnings be used primarily for the purpose of maintaining good standing—thus "keep the capital working and never draw on the capital." In any event, the question of life membership in this Order should be solved, and whatever may be the will of the Supreme Lodge, undoubtedly will be satisfactory to the Order at large.

#### 50-YEAR VETERAN JEWEL.

The order of Knights of Pythias has now passed six years beyond its semi-centennial period, and every few days word comes that members here and there have attained, or are reaching, the distinction of fifty years' consecutive membership. In reporting this information, there also come requests making inquiry for a special jewel or decoration denoting half-century membership in the Order. Such a jewel already has been presented to a 50-year veteran knight in Denver (Past Chancellor Norton Nelson), which marks the first presentation of its character in this Order. From New Hampshire and Ohio have come requests for a similar jewel, official in character, and, without doubt, other domains can qualify like veteran members.

This is a matter that should receive the attention of the Supreme Lodge at its regular convention this year, and legislation should be passed authorizing an official jewel carrying this rare distinction. To that end, the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal will introduce a proposition to add to the present Pythian veteran statutes (twenty-five

years) a further statute providing an appropriate jewel for veteran members of fifty years' standing. Arrangements already have been made to design a jewel appropriate to denote this half-century tenure of membership. The new statute should provide for the numbering and registration of all such jewels issued, that a permanent record thereof may be maintained by the Supreme Lodge.

### PYTHIAN FLAGS AND BANNERS.

In keeping with the growing demand for Pythian goods and supplies, firms engaged in the manufacture of flags and banners are making inquiry as to changes made by the Supreme Lodge in the "official description" of such goods. For the information of flag makers, the trade generally, lodges and members of the Order at large, and all others interested, it is here stated that the only official action ever taken by the Supreme Lodge relative to "flag" goods, is contained in section 396, Supreme Statutes, defining specifications for the "banner" of the Order, and in section 396a defining the Pythian "standard." The Supreme Lodge, by statute, never has defined specifications for flags, pennants and markers used by the military department—save and except as it may have approved such specifications in the rules and regulations, and legislation of the Supreme Assembly, the governing body of the military department.

### "FEE" FOR GRAND LODGE CARD.

It is presumed that every grand lodge and every subordinate lodge is familiar with the provisions of section 218, Supreme Statutes, which reads as follows: "No fee shall be charged for the issuance of a transfer card, a withdrawal card, a Grand Lodge card or a Supreme Lodge card." That is a plain law, plainly stated—meaning that no lodge may exact or require a "fee" for the issuance of any card as herein named.

However, in this matter of issuing cards there is the usual amount of confusion and misunderstanding—whether through ignorance or willfulness does not matter. As a case in point, one GKRS requested another GKRS to issue a Grand Lodge card for a member of a defunct subordinate lodge, and received a reply to the effect that the member must pay \$8.00 dues and a "fee" of \$5.00 for the card. This, of course, started both inquiry and argument, but the answer is plainly indicated in the following paragraphs:

The application for a Grand Lodge card, to be issued to an unsuspended member of a defunct subordinate lodge "shall be accompanied by the payment of all arrearages of the applicant to the subordinate lodge when the same became defunct, or such lesser sum as the Grand Lodge may direct." Upon payment by the applicant of this amount, no further charge can be made for issuing the card.

If the applicant for a Grand Lodge card "was under suspension for non-payment of arrearages when the subordinate lodge became defunct, the payment accompanying such application shall be five dollars." This provision of law makes the cost of a Grand Lodge card to a suspended member of a defunct lodge uniform throughout the Order. He cannot be required to pay any additional sum for "dues," or for any other charge.

The expression, "fee" for card, is a misnomer. There is no "fee" required for the card itself, but the applicant must place himself in such financial good standing that he is entitled to receive the card. Having done so, the card is issued gratis. That this matter may be the better understood, it should be remembered that a Grand Lodge card or a Supreme Lodge card is relatively the same as a withdrawal card—an honorable retirement from the Order and a complete severance of membership. No member of a subordinate lodge may receive a withdrawal card unless



he is in good standing and "square on the books" at the time he makes application therefor. The requirements of law with respect to the issuance of Grand Lodge cards and Supreme Lodge cards is exactly the same, and the statute (263) clearly makes provision to this end.

#### AMERICAN CITIZENSHIP MEDALS.

Attention frequently is called to the fact that the Pythian order should make its influence for good more generally felt in communities wherein lodges are established; in other words, that the modern fraternity must identify itself more directly with the affairs of life and community welfare. Woodbury Lodge No. 98, of Sioux City, "took the honors" in Iowa for the year ending June 30, 1919, for the "largest growth," more than doubling its membership. The lodge felt that it should do something to show that it could do more than just taking in new members, and in August it forwarded a communication to the board of education of that city stating that it would award three medals to the three scholars in the grade schools who stand best in the study of "American Citizenship" at the end of the current school year. These medals are made of gold, silver and bronze, presented as first, second and third prizes, the awards to be made under plans to be worked out by the superintendent or the board of education. This action was taken by the lodge because of the well-known patriotic character of the Order, and the members felt that, in this manner, they could do something not only to intensify the American spirit but to give the lodge a more positive and definite standing in community affairs. It is understood that their proposition has been accepted by the school authorities.

In a larger way this Order, through Grand Lodges or subordinate lodges, could well afford to award scholarships to students in public schools, for instance, a University course to some deserving boy or girl, and thus give a practical demonstration of its interest and relationship in public welfare matters. A number of such scholarships, appropriately awarded, would bring praise to this Order, or any like institution that would undertake the enterprise.

#### BIBLE AT GRAND LODGE CONVENTIONS.

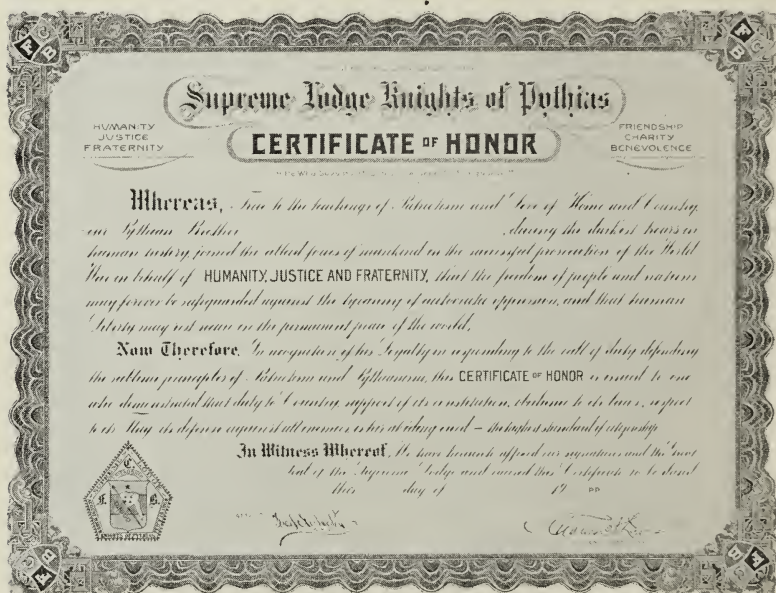
The grand chancellor of a certain domain has made inquiry with reference to the use of the Bible, also altar arrangements, at conventions of Grand Lodges. This is not the first time that this question has been raised, and while it may be a subject that does not permit of open discussion in the press of the Order, nevertheless there surely can be no harm in plainly stating that neither the ritual of the Grand Lodge nor of the Supreme Lodge make provision for the use of an altar or the Bible. The general character of these bodies is legislative, and devoid of anything in the nature of ceremonial work save and except the limited ritualistic work in conferring the respective ranks. By custom and common consent, many Grand Lodges *display* the Bible on the altar, and this same custom has been observed in the Supreme Lodge, more especially during recent years. In our opinion this is a subject matter that should receive consideration by the Supreme Lodge, so that uniformity in this regard might be observed at each and all Grand Lodge conventions.

#### CERTIFICATE OF HONOR.

The order of Knights of Pythias rejoices in the fact that many thousands of its members were enrolled in the various military branches and auxiliaries, where loyal, patriotic service was essential to the successful prosecution of the Great World War in behalf of the cherished ideals of Humanity, Democracy and Fraternity. To these, our gallant sons, we

owe a debt of gratitude that cannot be measured in words, nor can the grateful people of the nations associated in this titanic struggle adequately honor either the living or the dead who participated in this great crusade for world righteousness.

At the 1918 convention of the Supreme Lodge, a proposition was introduced to provide for the issuance of an appropriate badge to the War Veterans of the Knights of Pythias, in the form of a "Pythian Military Cross of Honor," which proposition was deferred for final action at the next convention. With the coming of peace and the "return home" of many of our soldier members, earnest request was made that some suitable memorial be prepared for presentation to members of this Order who were actively enrolled in the World War, and in response to this request there was provided a CERTIFICATE OF HONOR to be presented by subordinate lodges that might desire, in this slight manner, to



accord formal recognition to the gallantry and patriotism so splendidly demonstrated by their members who were privileged to serve in this great cause.

Many subordinate lodges having members in the service were pleased to present this certificate to their Soldier Knights. The occasion of such presentation in many instances was made a decidedly interesting and important event in the annals of the lodge. The certificate was suitably engrossed, and in many lodges all soldier members were convened for a joint presentation, with an appropriate program of fraternal and patriotic exercises, either public or private. Subordinate lodges procured these certificates by communicating with the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal.

This evidence of the Order's appreciation of the patriotic service rendered by those of our members who were fortunate to take an active part in this great war for humanity and for the ideals of civilization, was

something that each Soldier Knight will cherish as another link binding him to the Order that stands for and teaches the sublime principles of Fraternity, Loyalty and Patriotism—so gallantly exemplified by his devotion to duty.

#### OUR HERO DEAD!

Not all of "the flower of knighthood" who joined the colors in this great conflict have been spared to "the loved ones at home." They made the "supreme sacrifice" and peacefully sleep in the hallowed soil of far-away lands. "Green be their couch where the white lilies lean" under

"Heaven's ebon vault  
Studded with stars unutterably bright,  
Thro' which the moon's unclouded grandeur rolls."

The names of these—Our Hero Dead—should be reverently spoken at each Pythian Memorial Service, and a special page, in appropriate words, should be dedicated to their memory on the permanent record book of the subordinate lodge.

#### "SALOON-KEEPERS AND BAR-TENDERS."

In the expressed "qualifications" of an applicant for the ranks of knighthood, the provisions of section 195, Supreme Statutes, as contained in paragraph "g," several times amended since its original adoption, have, in the opinion of a great many members, been just cause for adverse comment and criticism. The said paragraph reads as follows:

(g) He must not be a professional gambler, saloon-keeper, bartender or dealer in spirituous, vinous or malt liquors—provided that this paragraph shall not apply to druggists who are legally engaged in the sale of liquors for medical, mechanical or sacramental purposes only.

Now that "prohibition" has become the "law of the land," there exists no further need for the retention of this paragraph in the said statute—at least, not in the language wherein it refers to dealers in the traffic of liquors, as a business.

During all the years that this "qualification" has been a part of Pythian law, it has been decidedly objectionable to prospective members and applicants, the vast majority of whom do not relish the condition, even by inference, that their vocations in life were of the unpopular character as the above law indicates. To expect, or request, a minister of the gospel to affirm that he is not a "professional gambler" or "saloon-keeper," causes a distinct jar. Happily, however, by reason of existing conditions, these sensitive objections need not be taken into consideration, but the repeal, or amendment, of the foregoing paragraph, is entirely appropriate at this time.

#### STATUTES MUST BE REPRINTED.

The book of the Supreme Constitution and Statutes was last reprinted following the Supreme Lodge convention of 1914, since which time numerous amendments and changes have been made in the laws governing the Order. All such amendments, following the conventions of 1916 and 1918, were promulgated in supplement form. There will be other amendments adopted at this convention, and the confusion and misunderstanding that now exists as to "what is the law," will be further confounded, hence the necessity that, as soon as possible after the adjournment of this convention, the book of statutes be reprinted and the sections renumbered in accordance with their proper order.

#### SUPREME CHANCELLOR DAVIS.

While it seems quite unnecessary to dedicate a specific portion of this report to the wonderful work and remarkably successful administra-

tion of Supreme Chancellor Charles S. Davis, nevertheless we are especially pleased to extend a further word of praise to one who has so signally honored the high station to which he was called two years ago. He has given a newer and truer meaning to the word "faithfulness," and it may be said of "Charley" Davis that, by reason of his constant and abiding interest, his deep love for the Order, his devotion to every duty and trust, and the matchless consecration of his time, thought, and energy in discharging his official duties, he has most signally won an abiding place in the affections and hearts of the great membership he has served. He has traveled far afield, and the influence of his presence and his splendid Pythian message has filled lodges and members with a determination, under his splendid leadership and example, to score greater successes in every avenue of Pythian endeavor. He will pass from the position of chief executive of this Order bearing with him the kindest feelings of admiration and appreciation. Never was man more deserving of praise, nor has any fraternal society or association ever been favored with more devotion and constant service than that whereby he has jeweled his administration. With such a leadership, the Pythian Order was bound to prosper, and through the years to come the name of Charles S. Davis will shine resplendent in the annals of Pythian affairs and progress. To him and to his loved ones there is extended the sincere affections and best wishes of a grateful membership.

#### THE GREAT TOMORROW.

The record of the past two eventful years has been written, and, feebly as it may be, the story has been told as experience has left its impress. The avenues of activity and thought are numerous, and in a thousand ways further observations and references might well be made to work done and ambitions entertained for future hopes in the march of Pythian progress. From the rich and fruitful experiences of the past we must shape our energy and pride in working such a Pythian development as shall the greater fashion modern knighthood as one of the happiest agencies for good. What this future shall be, what the great tomorrow may bring forth, rests entirely within our own hands, and in the hands, hearts and brains of those who shall succeed to the responsibilities of fashioning Pythian knighthood. The membership at large demands leadership, the Order needs the constant devotion of every element within itself that can make for better things, and in this great work, with the wondrous opportunities for advancement that are constantly pressing for attention, it should be the pride of each lodge, every officer and all members to work earnestly together for the betterment and upbuilding of this great Order. May its tomorrow continue to beckon and receive our united devotion to this high calling.

Fraternally submitted,

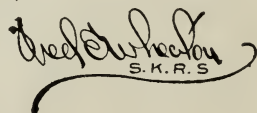
  
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TABLE "A"—SUPREME LODGE TRIAL BALANCE AT CLOSE OF BUSINESS, JUNE 30, 1920.

| Accounts                            | Face of Ledger |             | Balances   |            |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|-------------|------------|------------|
|                                     | Dr.            | Cr.         | Dr.        | Cr.        |
| Alabama .....                       | \$ 2,171.97    | \$ 1,646.79 | \$ 525.18  | .....      |
| Alberta .....                       | 497.74         | 378.90      | 118.84     | .....      |
| Arizona .....                       | 925.71         | 830.16      | 95.55      | .....      |
| Arkansas .....                      | 506.33         | 459.53      | 46.80      | .....      |
| British Columbia .....              | 384.70         | 342.74      | 41.96      | .....      |
| California .....                    | 4,937.24       | 4,538.49    | 398.75     | .....      |
| Colorado .....                      | 1,625.29       | 1,565.79    | 59.50      | .....      |
| Connecticut .....                   | 1,182.84       | 1,131.59    | 51.25      | .....      |
| Delaware .....                      | 240.93         | 240.93      | .....      | .....      |
| District of Columbia .....          | 197.32         | 197.32      | .....      | .....      |
| Florida .....                       | 962.38         | 787.18      | 175.00     | .....      |
| Georgia .....                       | 1,651.29       | 1,606.29    | 45.00      | .....      |
| Idaho .....                         | 509.58         | 509.58      | .....      | .....      |
| Illinois .....                      | 7,912.80       | 7,690.36    | 222.44     | .....      |
| Indiana .....                       | 8,239.77       | 7,976.37    | 263.40     | .....      |
| Iowa .....                          | 3,317.54       | 3,229.54    | 88.00      | .....      |
| Kansas .....                        | 1,090.05       | 1,079.70    | 10.35      | .....      |
| Kentucky .....                      | 1,448.59       | 1,352.19    | 96.40      | .....      |
| Louisiana .....                     | 1,007.34       | 959.34      | 48.00      | .....      |
| Maine .....                         | 2,341.88       | 2,329.07    | 12.81      | .....      |
| Manitoba .....                      | 306.28         | 90.28       | 216.00     | .....      |
| Maritime Provinces .....            | 595.21         | 595.21      | .....      | .....      |
| Maryland .....                      | 1,203.92       | 1,203.92    | .....      | .....      |
| Massachusetts .....                 | 3,868.17       | 3,756.17    | 112.00     | .....      |
| Michigan .....                      | 4,631.79       | 4,251.19    | 380.60     | .....      |
| Minnesota .....                     | 1,030.14       | 1,015.14    | 15.00      | .....      |
| Mississippi .....                   | 973.29         | 688.80      | 284.49     | .....      |
| Missouri .....                      | 3,138.76       | 3,109.56    | 29.20      | .....      |
| Montana .....                       | 993.07         | 868.07      | 125.00     | .....      |
| Nebraska .....                      | 1,048.71       | 980.71      | 68.00      | .....      |
| Nevada .....                        | 425.26         | 397.84      | 27.42      | .....      |
| New Hampshire .....                 | 994.42         | 980.16      | 14.26      | .....      |
| New Jersey .....                    | 2,224.94       | 2,144.84    | 80.10      | .....      |
| New Mexico .....                    | 434.75         | 421.55      | 13.20      | .....      |
| New York .....                      | 3,571.27       | 3,174.66    | 396.61     | .....      |
| North Carolina .....                | 904.22         | 801.22      | 103.00     | .....      |
| North Dakota .....                  | 503.17         | 503.17      | .....      | .....      |
| Ohio .....                          | 13,362.51      | 13,022.16   | 340.35     | .....      |
| Oklahoma .....                      | 1,215.40       | 1,020.80    | 194.60     | .....      |
| Ontario .....                       | 693.95         | 656.45      | 37.50      | .....      |
| Oregon .....                        | 2,945.05       | 2,780.55    | 164.50     | .....      |
| Pennsylvania .....                  | 7,888.74       | 7,748.74    | 140.00     | .....      |
| Quebec .....                        | 316.51         | 307.51      | 9.00       | .....      |
| Rhode Island .....                  | 430.85         | 430.85      | .....      | .....      |
| South Carolina .....                | 1,038.44       | 944.95      | 93.49      | .....      |
| South Dakota .....                  | 601.83         | 505.17      | 96.66      | .....      |
| Tennessee .....                     | 1,473.17       | 1,331.27    | 141.90     | .....      |
| Texas .....                         | 3,850.17       | 3,712.47    | 137.70     | .....      |
| Utah .....                          | 412.50         | 369.30      | 43.20      | .....      |
| Vermont .....                       | 464.52         | 460.02      | 4.50       | .....      |
| Virginia .....                      | 1,344.08       | 1,094.98    | 249.10     | .....      |
| Washington .....                    | 3,311.20       | 3,057.45    | 253.75     | .....      |
| West Virginia .....                 | 5,553.81       | 5,038.81    | 515.00     | .....      |
| Wisconsin .....                     | 3,257.71       | 2,952.91    | 304.80     | .....      |
| Wyoming .....                       | 332.04         | 332.04      | .....      | .....      |
| District of Alaska .....            | 57.01          | 55.41       | 1.60       | .....      |
| District of Australia .....         | 58.58          | 53.22       | 5.36       | .....      |
| District of Canal Zone .....        | 209.86         | 221.45      | .....      | \$ 11.59   |
| District of Hawaii .....            | 418.72         | 385.95      | 32.77      | .....      |
| District of Philippines .....       | 38.80          | 59.28       | .....      | 20.48      |
| District of Saskatchewan .....      | 402.54         | 350.92      | 51.62      | .....      |
| Miscellaneous Sales .....           | 2,392.44       | 2,242.04    | 150.40     | .....      |
| Cash .....                          | 113,052.84     | 113,052.84  | .....      | .....      |
| N. W. National Bank .....           | 113,052.84     | 113,052.84  | .....      | .....      |
| Supreme Master of Exchequer .....   | 198,379.95     | 85,058.73   | 113,321.22 | .....      |
| General Account .....               | .....          | 133,058.65  | .....      | 133,058.65 |
| Wilmington, Del., Real Estate ..... | 7,500.00       | .....       | 7,500.00   | .....      |
| Furniture and Fixtures .....        | 1,196.58       | .....       | 1,196.58   | .....      |
| Interest .....                      | .....          | 3,961.42    | .....      | 3,961.42   |
| Murphy-Travis Co. ....              | .....          | 406.98      | .....      | 406.98     |
| Juergens & Andersen Co. ....        | .....          | 3,685.64    | .....      | 3,685.64   |

| Accounts                           | Face of Ledger      |                     | Balances            |                     |
|------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
|                                    | Dr.                 | Cr.                 | Dr.                 | Cr.                 |
| S. C. Salary .....                 | 9,000.00            | .....               | 9,000.00            | .....               |
| S. C. Office Expense.....          | 3,818.41            | .....               | 3,818.41            | .....               |
| S. C. Traveling Expense.....       | 4,253.40            | .....               | 4,253.40            | .....               |
| S. V. C. Travel Expense.....       | 1,742.96            | .....               | 1,742.96            | .....               |
| S. K. R. S. Salary.....            | 9,200.00            | .....               | 9,200.00            | .....               |
| S. K. R. S. Clerical Force.....    | 5,650.00            | .....               | 5,650.00            | .....               |
| S. K. R. S. Office Rent.....       | 2,574.00            | .....               | 2,574.00            | .....               |
| S. K. R. S. Office Expense.....    | 954.13              | .....               | 954.13              | .....               |
| S. K. R. S. Traveling Expense..... | 1,223.04            | .....               | 1,223.04            | .....               |
| S. M. E. Salary.....               | 2,200.00            | .....               | 2,200.00            | .....               |
| S. M. E. Office Expense.....       | 179.50              | .....               | 179.50              | .....               |
| S. M. E. Traveling Expense.....    | 194.84              | .....               | 194.84              | .....               |
| Miss L. S. S. Rathbone Allow.....  | 1,100.00            | .....               | 1,100.00            | .....               |
| Mrs. Mary B. Vanderveer Allow....  | 1,100.00            | .....               | 1,100.00            | .....               |
| Mrs. Catherine B. Richie Allow.... | 1,100.00            | .....               | 1,100.00            | .....               |
| Miscellaneous Printing .....       | 1,486.48            | .....               | 1,486.48            | .....               |
| Emergency Expense .....            | 2,661.57            | .....               | 2,661.57            | .....               |
| General Expense .....              | 1,986.84            | .....               | 1,986.84            | .....               |
| 1918 Convention Expense.....       | 30,050.61           | .....               | 30,050.61           | .....               |
| 1920 Convention Expense.....       | 170.25              | .....               | 170.25              | .....               |
| 1918 Official Record .....         | 2,234.07            | .....               | 2,234.07            | .....               |
| Military Department .....          | 8,203.90            | .....               | 8,203.90            | .....               |
| Supplies Expense .....             | 1,263.46            | .....               | 1,263.46            | .....               |
| Com. on Supplies and Printing..... | 322.32              | .....               | 322.32              | .....               |
| Supreme Tribunal Expense .....     | 579.88              | .....               | 579.88              | .....               |
| Pythian Education .....            | 2,106.06            | .....               | 2,106.06            | .....               |
| Committee on Finance .....         | 1,731.03            | .....               | 1,731.03            | .....               |
| P. S. C. Jewel .....               | 150.00              | .....               | 150.00              | .....               |
| 1918 Convention Expense.....       | 497.14              | .....               | 497.14              | .....               |
| War Relief Commission Expense....  | 3,359.53            | .....               | 3,359.53            | .....               |
| Maritime Provinces Refund.....     | 22.00               | .....               | 22.00               | .....               |
| Supreme Lodge Relief Fund.....     | 230.00              | 130.00              | 100.00              | .....               |
| 1920 Convention Expense.....       | .....               | 150.00              | .....               | 150.00              |
| Fines .....                        | .....               | 30.00               | .....               | 30.00               |
| Grand Lodge Per Cap. Tax.....      | .....               | 85,536.35           | .....               | 85,536.35           |
| Sub. Lodge Per Cap. Tax.....       | .....               | 845.77              | .....               | 845.77              |
| Mdse. Stock Ledger .....           | 54,124.83           | 42,986.39           | 11,138.44           | .....               |
| Cost of Goods Sold.....            | 42,738.74           | .....               | 42,738.74           | .....               |
| Merchandise Sales .....            | .....               | 56,535.63           | .....               | 56,535.63           |
| Domain Accounts .....              | 120,004.43          | 112,904.39          | 7,100.04            | .....               |
| Domain Account Balances.....       | .....               | 7,100.04            | .....               | 7,100.04            |
|                                    | <u>\$871,464.72</u> | <u>\$871,464.72</u> | <u>\$291,342.55</u> | <u>\$291,342.55</u> |

TABLE "B"—CASH ACCOUNT.

| Dr.                         |                     |          |                  | Cr.                 |
|-----------------------------|---------------------|----------|------------------|---------------------|
|                             |                     |          |                  |                     |
| Received from Grand Lodge   |                     | 1919     |                  |                     |
| Per Capita Tax.....         | \$57,573.48         | July 31  | Paid S. M. E.... | \$3,408.80          |
| Received from Subordinate   |                     | Aug. 31  | Paid S. M. E.... | 5,901.40            |
| Lodge Per Capita Tax....    | 845.77              | Sept. 30 | Paid S. M. E.... | 20,456.88           |
| Received from Interest..... | 3,961.42            | Oct. 31  | Paid S. M. E.... | 9,093.47            |
| Received from Fines.....    | 30.00               | Nov. 30  | Paid S. M. E.... | 7,677.24            |
| Received from Sale of Sup-  |                     | Dec. 31  | Paid S. M. E.... | 3,877.58            |
| plies .....                 | 53,728.05           | 1920     |                  |                     |
| Received from Sale of Port- |                     | Jan. 30  | Paid S. M. E.... | 6,082.89            |
| land Convention Tables....  | 150.00              | Feb. 28  | Paid S. M. E.... | 6,945.01            |
| Received from Military De-  |                     | Mar. 30  | Paid S. M. E.... | 25,456.87           |
| partment .....              | 116.21              | Apr. 30  | Paid S. M. E.... | 9,093.47            |
| Received from Insurance De- |                     | May 31   | Paid S. M. E.... | 6,169.18            |
| partment .....              | 469.33              | June 30  | Paid S. M. E.... | 5,060.05            |
| Refund Supreme Lodge Re-    |                     |          |                  |                     |
| lief Fund .....             | 130.00              |          |                  |                     |
| Received for Supreme Lodge  |                     |          |                  |                     |
| Cards .....                 | 10.00               |          |                  |                     |
|                             | <u>\$117,014.26</u> |          |                  | <u>\$117,014.26</u> |

TABLE "C" ABSTRACT OF ANNUAL REPORTS OF GRAND LODGES FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1919

| GRAND DOMAINS       | FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF GRAND LODGES      |       |                            |                                          |                              |                          |            |                               |                              |             |              |                           |              |                                      | Annual report received by S. K. R. S. |
|---------------------|------------------------------------------|-------|----------------------------|------------------------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------|------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------|--------------|---------------------------|--------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
|                     | No. of subordinate lodges, Dec. 31, 1918 | Total | Suspended and consolidated | No. of subordinate lodges, Dec. 31, 1919 | Amount on hand Dec. 31, 1918 | Receipts during the year | Total      | Disbursements during the year | Amount on hand Dec. 31, 1919 | Investments | Real Estate  | Furniture, fixtures, etc. | Total Assets | Amount of semi-annual per capita tax |                                       |
| Alabama.....        | 195                                      | 196   | 1                          | 195                                      | 5,475 92                     | 10,909 72                | 16,385 64  | 9,280 66                      | 7,104 66                     | .....       | 34,563 50    | 1,000 00                  | 42,668 84    | 430 00                               |                                       |
| Alaska.....         | 25                                       | 26    | 9                          | 17                                       | 69 25                        | 2,542 77                 | 2,612 01   | 2,491 25                      | 1,207 77                     | .....       | .....        | 1,000 00                  | 1,120 77     | 29 12                                |                                       |
| Arizona.....        | 26                                       | 26    | 1                          | 26                                       | 886 84                       | 6,653 98                 | 5,546 82   | 4,420 94                      | 1,126 38                     | .....       | 13,500 00    | 200 00                    | 15,826 38    | 89 02                                |                                       |
| Arkansas.....       | 114                                      | 114   | 8                          | 106                                      | 10,525 05                    | 6,653 08                 | 17,178 13  | 7,190 93                      | 9,987 20                     | .....       | .....        | 800 00                    | 10,787 20    | 193 00                               |                                       |
| Brit. Columbia..... | 36                                       | 36    | 36                         | 36                                       | 2,753 96                     | 4,019 12                 | 6,773 08   | 5,553 90                      | 1,219 18                     | .....       | 6,353 90     | 1,575 00                  | 9,148 08     | 121 96                               |                                       |
| California.....     | 225                                      | 225   | 5                          | 220                                      | 20,259 16                    | 31,582 86                | 51,842 02  | 23,220 19                     | 28,621 83                    | 43,000 00   | .....        | 2,500 00                  | 74,121 83    | 1,010 84                             |                                       |
| Colorado.....       | 76                                       | 77    | 4                          | 73                                       | 2,187 71                     | 13,952 06                | 16,139 77  | 12,302 46                     | 3,837 31                     | 4,009 73    | .....        | 900 00                    | 8,747 04     | 280 40                               |                                       |
| Connecticut.....    | 67                                       | 67    | 67                         | 67                                       | 1,358 78                     | 6,309 25                 | 7,668 03   | 6,416 46                      | 1,251 57                     | 1,000 00    | .....        | 400 00                    | 2,651 57     | 348 80                               |                                       |
| Delaware.....       | 17                                       | 17    | 17                         | 17                                       | 160 54                       | 2,097 11                 | 2,257 65   | 2,170 22                      | 87 43                        | 1,654 93    | .....        | 586 72                    | 2,329 08     | 80 12                                |                                       |
| Dist. of Col.....   | 16                                       | 16    | 16                         | 16                                       | 183 84                       | 1,122 45                 | 1,306 29   | 1,064 27                      | 242 02                       | 450 00      | .....        | 800 00                    | 1,492 02     | 47 68                                |                                       |
| Florida.....        | 73                                       | 74    | 1                          | 73                                       | 3,147 30                     | 9,318 69                 | 12,465 99  | 8,718 86                      | 3,747 13                     | .....       | .....        | 153 05                    | 3,900 18     | 242 72                               |                                       |
| Georgia.....        | 164                                      | 165   | 165                        | 165                                      | .....                        | 6,989 55                 | 6,989 55   | 6,561 73                      | 427 82                       | .....       | .....        | 775 00                    | 1,202 82     | 440 64                               |                                       |
| Idaho.....          | 43                                       | 43    | 4                          | 39                                       | 4,970 99                     | 4,398 07                 | 9,369 06   | 5,473 02                      | 3,896 04                     | .....       | 33,000 00    | 1,020 27                  | 4,916 31     | 127 24                               |                                       |
| Illinois.....       | 468                                      | 472   | 5                          | 467                                      | 2,333 43                     | 46,896 30                | 49,229 73  | 40,703 75                     | 8,525 98                     | 194,247 52  | .....        | 10,000 00                 | 245,773 50   | 2,108 60                             |                                       |
| Indiana.....        | 479                                      | 479   | 7                          | 472                                      | 6,631 71                     | 163,868 46               | 170,500 17 | 153,280 14                    | 7,220 03                     | 10,244 67   | 1,000,000 00 | 6,000 00                  | 1,033,464 70 | 2,611 28                             |                                       |
| Iowa.....           | 255                                      | 257   | 11                         | 246                                      | 6,880 67                     | 27,959 58                | 34,840 25  | 24,347 87                     | 10,492 38                    | .....       | .....        | 5,796 00                  | 16,288 38    | 1,028 48                             |                                       |
| Kansas.....         | 118                                      | 118   | 3                          | 115                                      | 5,513 46                     | 21,253 54                | 26,767 00  | 18,013 18                     | 8,753 82                     | .....       | .....        | 1,500 00                  | 10,253 82    | 343 92                               |                                       |
| Kentucky.....       | 182                                      | 183   | 9                          | 174                                      | 752 65                       | 7,167 87                 | 7,920 52   | 7,549 33                      | 371 19                       | 2,000 00    | 20,000 00    | 1,075 72                  | 23,446 91    | 420 68                               |                                       |
| Louisiana.....      | 97                                       | 100   | 2                          | 98                                       | 92 84                        | 6,285 56                 | 6,378 40   | 6,314 81                      | 63 59                        | .....       | .....        | 310 50                    | 23,446 91    | 420 68                               |                                       |
| Maine.....          | 143                                      | 143   | 4                          | 139                                      | 5,160 43                     | 7,488 03                 | 12,648 46  | 8,422 27                      | 4,226 19                     | .....       | .....        | 500 00                    | 4,726 19     | 705 12                               |                                       |
| Manitoba.....       | 15                                       | 15    | 15                         | 15                                       | 518 41                       | 1,290 75                 | 1,809 16   | 1,784 26                      | 24 90                        | 500 00      | .....        | 500 00                    | 824 90       | 45 08                                |                                       |
| Maritime Prov.....  | 28                                       | 31    | 31                         | 31                                       | 3,135 63                     | 3,392 89                 | 6,528 52   | 4,228 54                      | 2,299 98                     | 1,500 00    | 25,000 00    | 18 00                     | 3,817 08     | 157 40                               |                                       |
| Maryland.....       | 92                                       | 93    | 1                          | 92                                       | 4,249 98                     | 13,971 32                | 18,041 30  | 12,376 10                     | 5,665 20                     | .....       | .....        | 1,000 00                  | 31,665 20    | 423 48                               |                                       |
| Massachusetts.....  | 172                                      | 174   | 15                         | 159                                      | 879 20                       | 20,482 80                | 21,362 00  | 17,579 14                     | 3,782 86                     | 7,043 86    | .....        | 1,906 67                  | 12,733 39    | 1,064 08                             |                                       |
| Michigan.....       | 168                                      | 168   | 168                        | 168                                      | 9,629 35                     | 24,329 29                | 33,958 64  | 23,827 78                     | 10,130 86                    | 35,073 46   | .....        | 3,878 50                  | 49,082 82    | 1,008 00                             |                                       |
| Minnesota.....      | 76                                       | 78    | 7                          | 71                                       | .....                        | 9,698 05                 | 9,698 05   | 9,229 47                      | 468 58                       | .....       | .....        | 343 50                    | 812 08       | 283 28                               |                                       |
| Mississippi.....    | 123                                      | 123   | 123                        | 106                                      | 39 35                        | 6,729 40                 | 6,768 75   | 6,744 30                      | 24 45                        | 20,803 95   | 135,000 00   | 1,000 00                  | 1,024 45     | 244 88                               |                                       |
| Missouri.....       | 235                                      | 239   | 14                         | 225                                      | 4,681 96                     | 23,774 27                | 28,456 23  | 23,926 57                     | 4,529 66                     | .....       | .....        | 700 00                    | 161,033 61   | 946 60                               |                                       |
| Montana.....        | 40                                       | 40    | 40                         | 40                                       | 845 83                       | 6,122 00                 | 6,967 83   | 5,998 70                      | 969 13                       | 2,795 19    | 3,000 00     | 1,500 00                  | 8,262 32     | 141 56                               |                                       |
| Nebraska.....       | 121                                      | 122   | 8                          | 114                                      | 1,840 91                     | 9,134 68                 | 10,975 59  | 9,286 56                      | 1,689 03                     | 3,872 90    | .....        | 700 00                    | 6,262 49     | 262 04                               |                                       |
| Nevada.....         | 25                                       | 25    | 2                          | 23                                       | 2,381 98                     | 1,622 19                 | 4,004 17   | 1,988 53                      | 2,015 64                     | .....       | .....        | 275 00                    | 2,290 64     | 64 80                                |                                       |
| New Hampshire.....  | 64                                       | 64    | 64                         | 64                                       | 1,196 01                     | 4,358 20                 | 5,554 21   | 4,960 41                      | 593 80                       | .....       | .....        | 700 00                    | 1,293 80     | 269 80                               |                                       |

TABLE "C"—ABSTRACT OF ANNUAL REPORTS OF GRAND LODGES FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1919—Continued.

| GRAND<br>DOMAINS | FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF GRAND LODGES         |                                 |       |                                 |                                             |                                 |                             |              |                                  |                                 |             | Annual report re-<br>ceived by S. K. R. S. |             |                                |              |                                               |
|------------------|---------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------|--------------------------------------------|-------------|--------------------------------|--------------|-----------------------------------------------|
|                  | No. of subordinate<br>lodges, Dec. 31, 1918 | Instituted and reor-<br>ganized | Total | Suspended and con-<br>solidated | No. of subordinate<br>lodges, Dec. 31, 1919 | Amount on hand<br>Dec. 31, 1918 | Receipts during<br>the year | Total        | Disbursements<br>during the year | Amount on hand<br>Dec. 31, 1919 | Investments |                                            | Real Estate | Furniture, fix-<br>tures, etc. | Total Assets | Amount of semi-<br>annual per cap-<br>ita tax |
| New Jersey....   | 118                                         | 1                               | 119   | 1                               | 118                                         | 5,500 66                        | 9,647 36                    | 15,148 02    | 9,508 40                         | 5,639 62                        | 676 23      | .....                                      | 796 46      | 7,112 31                       | 617 20       | Feb. 23                                       |
| New Mexico....   | 20                                          | 4                               | 24    | 2                               | 22                                          | 212 96                          | 5,831 32                    | 6,044 28     | 6,044 28                         | .....                           | 593 15      | .....                                      | 739 87      | 1,333 02                       | 68 16        | Mar. 29                                       |
| New York....     | 196                                         | 1                               | 197   | 4                               | 193                                         | 315 67                          | 9,979 10                    | 10,294 77    | 5,764 59                         | 4,530 18                        | 107,736 51  | 51,421 42                                  | 450 00      | 164,138 11                     | 904 08       | Mar. 26                                       |
| North Carolina   | 114                                         | 1                               | 115   | 7                               | 108                                         | 400 31                          | 7,556 38                    | 7,956 69     | 7,550 80                         | 405 89                          | .....       | .....                                      | 661 29      | 1,067 18                       | 314 92       | April 7                                       |
| North Dakota..   | 36                                          | 2                               | 38    | 3                               | 35                                          | 631 88                          | 4,017 26                    | 4,649 14     | 4,358 72                         | 290 42                          | 2,000 00    | .....                                      | 700 00      | 2,990 42                       | 123 44       | Mar. 22                                       |
| Ohio.....        | 621                                         | 1                               | 622   | 6                               | 616                                         | 120,799 01                      | 192,167 93                  | 312,966 94   | 111,816 86                       | 201,150 08                      | .....       | 500,000 00                                 | 2,500 00    | 703,650 08                     | 3,847 60     | Mar. 31                                       |
| Oklahoma.....    | 118                                         | 4                               | 122   | 2                               | 120                                         | 8,686 09                        | 10,117 17                   | 18,803 26    | 7,043 12                         | 11,760 14                       | 17,200 00   | .....                                      | 1,755 00    | 30,715 14                      | 343 20       | Mar. 31                                       |
| Ontario.....     | 30                                          | 1                               | 31    | 1                               | 30                                          | 1,693 52                        | 5,329 57                    | 7,023 43     | 4,129 52                         | 2,893 91                        | .....       | .....                                      | 846 95      | 3,740 86                       | 147 56       | Mar. 29                                       |
| Oregon.....      | 78                                          | 1                               | 79    | .....                           | 79                                          | 3,795 45                        | 15,527 51                   | 19,323 02    | 16,051 02                        | 3,272 00                        | 4,126 77    | .....                                      | 2,277 75    | 9,676 52                       | 400 60       | Mar. 2                                        |
| Pennsylvania..   | 433                                         | 1                               | 434   | 9                               | 425                                         | 3,966 50                        | 27,707 19                   | 31,673 69    | 18,013 81                        | 13,659 88                       | 34,138 80   | 160 00                                     | .....       | 47,798 68                      | 2,461 68     | Mar. 31                                       |
| Quebec.....      | 11                                          | .....                           | 11    | .....                           | 11                                          | 1,287 74                        | 1,209 17                    | 2,496 91     | 1,665 06                         | 831 85                          | 283 20      | .....                                      | 175 00      | 1,450 05                       | 35 72        | Mar. 17                                       |
| Rhode Island..   | 24                                          | .....                           | 24    | .....                           | 24                                          | 1,454 19                        | 2,223 53                    | 3,677 72     | 2,170 34                         | 1,507 38                        | 600 00      | .....                                      | 770 00      | 2,877 38                       | 106 72       | Mar. 30                                       |
| South Carolina.  | 137                                         | 5                               | 142   | .....                           | 142                                         | 12,654 77                       | 9,479 54                    | 22,134 31    | 8,666 37                         | 13,467 94                       | 4,500 00    | .....                                      | 500 00      | 18,467 94                      | 419 52       | Mar. 29                                       |
| South Dakota..   | 52                                          | .....                           | 52    | .....                           | 52                                          | 897 14                          | 2,418 39                    | 3,315 53     | 2,617 72                         | 697 81                          | 300 00      | .....                                      | 88 50       | 1,086 31                       | 115 80       | Mar. 30                                       |
| Tennessee.....   | 139                                         | 5                               | 144   | 9                               | 135                                         | 1,172 18                        | 28,138 63                   | 29,310 81    | 28,087 43                        | 1,223 38                        | .....       | 20,000 00                                  | 500 00      | 21,723 38                      | 310 96       | April 1                                       |
| Texas.....       | 261                                         | 2                               | 263   | 9                               | 254                                         | 9,089 97                        | 57,759 04                   | 66,849 01    | 60,591 72                        | 6,257 29                        | 77,459 90   | 215,000 00                                 | 644 75      | 299,361 94                     | 897 16       | Mar. 15                                       |
| Texas.....       | 21                                          | 2                               | 23    | 1                               | 22                                          | 324 30                          | 2,432 39                    | 2,756 69     | 2,611 46                         | 145 23                          | 850 00      | .....                                      | 360 50      | 1,355 73                       | 69 56        | Mar. 15                                       |
| Utah.....        | 33                                          | .....                           | 33    | .....                           | 33                                          | 247 33                          | 2,003 98                    | 2,251 31     | 2,092 43                         | 158 88                          | .....       | .....                                      | 200 00      | 358 88                         | 100 64       | April 3                                       |
| Vermont.....     | 80                                          | 1                               | 81    | 1                               | 80                                          | 3,686 47                        | 7,288 30                    | 10,974 77    | 6,899 65                         | 4,075 12                        | .....       | .....                                      | 376 00      | 4,451 12                       | 334 12       | Mar. 31                                       |
| Virginia.....    | 111                                         | 1                               | 112   | 2                               | 110                                         | 19,370 62                       | 24,356 29                   | 43,826 91    | 20,536 28                        | 23,290 63                       | .....       | .....                                      | 1,200 00    | 24,490 63                      | 445 48       | Mar. 18                                       |
| Washington....   | 228                                         | 9                               | 237   | 1                               | 236                                         | 903 06                          | 21,039 05                   | 21,942 11    | 19,868 30                        | 2,073 81                        | 7,500 00    | 100,500 00                                 | 850 00      | 110,923 81                     | 1,146 12     | Mar. 22                                       |
| West Virginia..  | 113                                         | 1                               | 114   | 1                               | 113                                         | 13,182 09                       | 20,929 10                   | 34,111 19    | 21,895 66                        | 12,215 53                       | .....       | .....                                      | 4,271 12    | 16,486 65                      | 700 00       | Mar. 31                                       |
| Wisconsin.....   | 16                                          | 1                               | 17    | .....                           | 17                                          | 311 93                          | 2,297 65                    | 2,609 58     | 2,089 10                         | 520 48                          | .....       | .....                                      | 125 00      | 645 48                         | 54 12        | Mar. 26                                       |
| Wyoming.....     | 21                                          | 1                               | 22    | .....                           | 22                                          | .....                           | .....                       | .....        | .....                            | .....                           | .....       | .....                                      | .....       | .....                          | .....        | .....                                         |
| Sub. lodges....  | 6989                                        | 73                              | 7062  | 196                             | 6866                                        | 319,326 98                      | 979,756 14                  | 1,299,083 12 | 845,498 68                       | 453,584 44                      | 587,160 77  | 2,157,498 82                               | 70,002 62   | 3,268,246 65                   | 29,769 04    | .....                                         |



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| GRAND<br>DOMAINS        | Number of members<br>December 31, 1918 | Initiated | Reinstated | Admitted by card | Total  | Surrender of charter | Suspended | Expelled | Withdrawn by card | Died | Total Deductions | Number of members<br>December 31, 1919 | Net gain | Net loss | CLASSIFICATION OF MEMBERSHIP |                           |                  |         |          | Pages |
|-------------------------|----------------------------------------|-----------|------------|------------------|--------|----------------------|-----------|----------|-------------------|------|------------------|----------------------------------------|----------|----------|------------------------------|---------------------------|------------------|---------|----------|-------|
|                         |                                        |           |            |                  |        |                      |           |          |                   |      |                  |                                        |          |          | Past Supreme<br>Chancellors  | Past Grand<br>Chancellors | Past Chancellors | Knights | Esquires |       |
|                         |                                        |           |            |                  |        |                      |           |          |                   |      |                  |                                        |          |          |                              |                           |                  |         |          |       |
| Alabama.....            | 10,019                                 | 933       | 525        | 231              | 11,708 | .....                | 596       | 8        | 233               | 121  | 958              | 10,750                                 | 731      | .....    | .....                        | 27                        | 2,564            | 7,934   | 89       | 136   |
| Albany.....             | 1,146                                  | 71        | 5          | 6                | 1,228  | 380                  | 111       | .....    | 4                 | 5    | 500              | 728                                    | .....    | 418      | .....                        | 8                         | 134              | 565     | 7        | 14    |
| Albion.....             | 2,104                                  | 259       | 40         | 37               | 2,440  | .....                | 145       | .....    | 32                | 15   | 192              | 2,248                                  | 144      | .....    | .....                        | 22                        | 381              | 1,826   | 8        | 11    |
| Arizona.....            | 4,626                                  | 467       | 256        | 401              | 5,750  | .....                | 536       | .....    | 315               | 74   | 925              | 4,825                                  | 199      | .....    | .....                        | 26                        | 1,262            | 3,392   | 52       | 93    |
| Arkansas.....           | 3,061                                  | 187       | 56         | 30               | 3,334  | .....                | 214       | .....    | 432               | 29   | 285              | 3,049                                  | .....    | 12       | .....                        | 23                        | 685              | 2,313   | 3        | 25    |
| British Columbia.....   | 23,652                                 | 2,860     | 270        | 588              | 27,370 | .....                | 1,384     | .....    | 434               | 281  | 2,099            | 25,271                                 | 1,619    | .....    | .....                        | 36                        | 4,098            | 20,625  | 220      | 292   |
| California.....         | 6,695                                  | 660       | 92         | 268              | 7,715  | .....                | 414       | .....    | 209               | 82   | 705              | 7,010                                  | 315      | .....    | .....                        | 26                        | 1,652            | 5,961   | 48       | 93    |
| Colorado.....           | 8,575                                  | 485       | 35         | 32               | 9,127  | .....                | 237       | .....    | 44                | 126  | 407              | 8,720                                  | 145      | .....    | .....                        | 25                        | 1,974            | 6,721   | .....    | ..... |
| Connecticut.....        | 1,910                                  | 167       | 18         | 6                | 2,101  | .....                | 69        | .....    | 6                 | 23   | 98               | 2,003                                  | 93       | .....    | .....                        | 29                        | 578              | 1,381   | .....    | ..... |
| Delaware.....           | 1,070                                  | 144       | 18         | 33               | 1,265  | .....                | 44        | .....    | 12                | 17   | 73               | 1,192                                  | 122      | .....    | 1                            | 22                        | 321              | 823     | 13       | 12    |
| Dist. of Columbia.....  | 5,479                                  | 767       | 193        | 238              | 6,677  | .....                | 410       | .....    | 143               | 56   | 609              | 6,068                                  | 589      | .....    | .....                        | 23                        | 1,301            | 4,638   | 43       | 63    |
| Florida.....            | 10,356                                 | 796       | 351        | 148              | 11,651 | .....                | 443       | 2        | 104               | 86   | 635              | 11,016                                 | 660      | .....    | 1                            | 29                        | 2,520            | 8,220   | 114      | 132   |
| Georgia.....            | 3,141                                  | 323       | 49         | 65               | 3,578  | 117                  | 201       | .....    | 56                | 23   | 337              | 3,181                                  | 40       | .....    | .....                        | 20                        | 742              | 2,346   | 27       | 46    |
| Idaho.....              | 51,425                                 | 873       | 83         | 883              | 57,693 | 75                   | 3,498     | 11       | 893               | 551  | 4,978            | 52,715                                 | 1,290    | .....    | 1                            | 28                        | 10,039           | 41,886  | 352      | 409   |
| Illinois.....           | 62,366                                 | 5,478     | 1,094      | 837              | 69,775 | 93                   | 2,390     | 1        | 1,107             | 902  | 4,493            | 65,282                                 | 2,916    | .....    | .....                        | 31                        | 14,455           | 50,311  | 248      | 237   |
| Indiana.....            | 23,746                                 | 2,877     | 515        | 197              | 27,605 | 226                  | 979       | .....    | 418               | 270  | 1,893            | 25,712                                 | 1,966    | .....    | .....                        | 18                        | 4,078            | 20,724  | 473      | 410   |
| Iowa.....               | 8,134                                  | 933       | 315        | 147              | 9,579  | 14                   | 715       | 3        | 141               | 108  | 981              | 8,598                                  | 464      | .....    | .....                        | 18                        | 2,131            | 6,234   | 116      | 99    |
| Kansas.....             | 10,090                                 | 1,346     | 511        | 183              | 12,130 | 254                  | 1,121     | .....    | 134               | 104  | 1,613            | 10,517                                 | 427      | .....    | .....                        | 18                        | 2,471            | 7,944   | 34       | 50    |
| Kentucky.....           | 5,565                                  | 535       | 96         | 141              | 6,337  | .....                | 298       | 1        | 106               | 101  | 506              | 5,831                                  | 266      | .....    | .....                        | 19                        | 1,258            | 4,520   | 19       | 15    |
| Louisiana.....          | 16,891                                 | 1,336     | 207        | 181              | 18,615 | 229                  | 447       | .....    | 107               | 204  | 987              | 17,628                                 | 737      | .....    | 1                            | 30                        | 3,751            | 13,702  | 73       | 71    |
| Maine.....              | 1,132                                  | 62        | 18         | 36               | 1,248  | .....                | 98        | .....    | 11                | 12   | 121              | 1,127                                  | .....    | 5        | .....                        | 12                        | 171              | 922     | 13       | 9     |
| Manitoba.....           | 3,524                                  | 488       | 43         | 24               | 4,079  | .....                | 60        | .....    | 47                | 37   | 144              | 3,935                                  | 411      | .....    | .....                        | 21                        | 701              | 3,142   | 45       | 26    |
| Maritime Provinces..... | 9,847                                  | 1,132     | 118        | 35               | 11,132 | 39                   | 326       | .....    | 41                | 139  | 345              | 10,587                                 | 740      | .....    | .....                        | 23                        | 2,541            | 7,903   | 48       | 72    |
| Maryland.....           | 25,408                                 | 2,063     | 219        | 124              | 27,814 | .....                | 722       | .....    | 170               | 322  | 1,214            | 26,600                                 | 1,192    | .....    | .....                        | 23                        | 3,979            | 22,163  | 149      | 286   |
| Massachusetts.....      | 23,834                                 | 2,928     | 231        | 363              | 27,356 | 235                  | 1,180     | .....    | 504               | 237  | 2,156            | 25,200                                 | 1,366    | .....    | 1                            | 24                        | 2,448            | 22,016  | 320      | 391   |
| Michigan.....           | 6,771                                  | 605       | 131        | 50               | 8,054  | 430                  | 364       | .....    | 113               | 65   | 972              | 7,082                                  | 24       | .....    | .....                        | 24                        | 1,509            | 5,974   | 72       | 71    |
| Minnesota.....          | 6,098                                  | 427       | 284        | 63               | 6,872  | 121                  | 563       | 2        | .....             | 64   | 750              | 6,122                                  | 65       | .....    | .....                        | 21                        | 1,509            | 4,501   | 45       | 46    |
| Mississippi.....        | 23,600                                 | 1,646     | 338        | 575              | 26,159 | .....                | 1,594     | 8        | 648               | 244  | 2,494            | 23,665                                 | 65       | .....    | .....                        | 28                        | 3,344            | 19,747  | 216      | 330   |
| Missouri.....           | 3,470                                  | 404       | 48         | 81               | 4,003  | .....                | 362       | .....    | 63                | 39   | 464              | 3,539                                  | 69       | .....    | .....                        | 23                        | 804              | 2,652   | 25       | 35    |
| Montana.....            | 6,450                                  | 489       | 124        | 137              | 7,200  | 152                  | 360       | .....    | 87                | 50   | 649              | 6,551                                  | 101      | .....    | .....                        | 28                        | 1,582            | 4,918   | 9        | 14    |

TABLE "D"—ABSTRACT OF ANNUAL REPORTS OF GRAND LODGES FOR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1919,  
SHOWING MEMBERSHIP OF SUBORDINATE LODGES—Continued.

| GRAND<br>DOMAINS    | Number of members<br>December 31, 1918 | Initiated | Reinstated | Admitted by card | Total   | Surrender of charter | Suspended | Expelled | Withdrawn by card | Died  | Total Deductions | Number of members<br>December 31, 1919 | Net Gain | Net loss | CLASSIFICATION OF MEMBERSHIP |                           |                  |         |          | Pages |
|---------------------|----------------------------------------|-----------|------------|------------------|---------|----------------------|-----------|----------|-------------------|-------|------------------|----------------------------------------|----------|----------|------------------------------|---------------------------|------------------|---------|----------|-------|
|                     |                                        |           |            |                  |         |                      |           |          |                   |       |                  |                                        |          |          | Past Supreme<br>Chancellors  | Past Grand<br>Chancellors | Past Chancellors | Knights | Esquires |       |
| Nevada.....         | 1,649                                  | 138       | 35         | 110              | 1,932   | 81                   | 163       | ...      | 53                | 15    | 312              | 1,620                                  | ...      | 29       | ...                          | 24                        | 434              | 1,140   | 10       | 12    |
| New Hampshire.....  | 6,489                                  | 463       | 115        | 32               | 7,099   | ...                  | 201       | ...      | 67                | 86    | 354              | 6,745                                  | 256      | ...      | ...                          | 27                        | 1,939            | 4,732   | 20       | 10    |
| New Jersey.....     | 14,352                                 | 1,747     | 101        | 20               | 16,220  | ...                  | 455       | ...      | 61                | 274   | 790              | 15,430                                 | 1,078    | ...      | ...                          | 27                        | 4,198            | 10,987  | 20       | 27    |
| New Mexico.....     | 1,398                                  | 400       | 39         | 142              | 1,979   | ...                  | 160       | 1        | 101               | 13    | 275              | 1,704                                  | 306      | ...      | ...                          | 17                        | 246              | 1,390   | 22       | 104   |
| New York.....       | 21,346                                 | 2,337     | 166        | 191              | 24,040  | 101                  | 799       | 2        | 236               | 300   | 1,438            | 22,602                                 | 1,256    | ...      | ...                          | 28                        | 3,660            | 18,545  | 113      | 29    |
| North Carolina..... | 7,092                                  | 890       | 166        | 252              | 8,442   | 128                  | 277       | 2        | 107               | 55    | 569              | 7,873                                  | 781      | ...      | ...                          | 22                        | 1,870            | 5,853   | 63       | 212   |
| North Dakota.....   | 2,890                                  | 418       | 39         | 44               | 3,391   | 98                   | 158       | 1        | 30                | 18    | 305              | 3,086                                  | 196      | ...      | ...                          | 24                        | 380              | 2,595   | 42       | 64    |
| Ohio.....           | 86,765                                 | 11,767    | 1,670      | 847              | 101,040 | 80                   | 2,969     | 50       | 790               | 970   | 4,859            | 96,190                                 | 9,425    | ...      | 1                            | 26                        | 20,845           | 74,282  | 514      | 521   |
| Oklahoma.....       | 6,776                                  | 1,534     | 234        | 647              | 9,101   | 50                   | 420       | 3        | 94                | 44    | 611              | 8,580                                  | 1,804    | ...      | ...                          | 39                        | 1,775            | 6,514   | 107      | 145   |
| Ontario.....        | 3,359                                  | 536       | 46         | 52               | 3,993   | ...                  | 234       | ...      | 44                | 26    | 304              | 3,689                                  | 330      | ...      | ...                          | 20                        | 426              | 3,103   | 47       | 93    |
| Oregon.....         | 8,194                                  | 2,003     | 261        | 452              | 10,910  | ...                  | 589       | ...      | 217               | 89    | 895              | 10,015                                 | 1,821    | ...      | ...                          | 27                        | 2,037            | 7,533   | 158      | 260   |
| Pennsylvania.....   | 57,288                                 | 6,090     | 379        | 158              | 63,915  | 113                  | 1,423     | ...      | 209               | 627   | 2,373            | 61,542                                 | 4,254    | ...      | ...                          | 24                        | 11,697           | 49,665  | 94       | 62    |
| Quebec.....         | 817                                    | 165       | 14         | 17               | 1,003   | 13                   | 63        | 1        | 26                | 7     | 110              | 893                                    | 76       | ...      | ...                          | 11                        | 107              | 728     | 18       | 29    |
| Rhode Island.....   | 2,643                                  | 150       | 3          | 17               | 2,813   | ...                  | 104       | ...      | 12                | 29    | 145              | 2,668                                  | 25       | ...      | ...                          | 21                        | 529              | 2,109   | 8        | 1     |
| South Carolina..... | 10,027                                 | 583       | 144        | 205              | 10,959  | ...                  | 300       | ...      | 93                | 78    | 471              | 10,488                                 | 461      | ...      | ...                          | 16                        | 1,772            | 8,654   | 33       | 13    |
| South Dakota.....   | 2,745                                  | 253       | 30         | 40               | 3,068   | ...                  | 125       | ...      | 31                | 17    | 173              | 2,895                                  | 150      | ...      | ...                          | 21                        | 547              | 2,162   | 58       | 107   |
| Tennessee.....      | 7,502                                  | 667       | 171        | 333              | 8,673   | 275                  | 328       | 3        | 103               | 190   | 899              | 7,774                                  | 272      | ...      | ...                          | 27                        | 2,573            | 5,077   | 43       | 54    |
| Texas.....          | 20,952                                 | 2,177     | 611        | 940              | 24,680  | ...                  | 1,183     | 5        | 810               | 253   | 2,251            | 22,429                                 | 1,477    | ...      | 1                            | 32                        | 5,674            | 16,276  | 182      | 264   |
| Utah.....           | 1,494                                  | 320       | 33         | 55               | 1,902   | ...                  | 197       | ...      | 48                | 18    | 163              | 1,739                                  | 245      | ...      | ...                          | 22                        | 402              | 1,306   | 6        | 3     |
| Vermont.....        | 2,431                                  | 202       | 35         | 18               | 2,686   | ...                  | 117       | 1        | 29                | 23    | 170              | 2,516                                  | 85       | ...      | ...                          | 21                        | 453              | 2,013   | 15       | 14    |
| Virginia.....       | 7,475                                  | 1,165     | 129        | 111              | 8,880   | 87                   | 262       | ...      | 85                | 93    | 527              | 8,353                                  | 878      | ...      | ...                          | 26                        | 1,867            | 6,382   | 37       | 41    |
| Washington.....     | 10,481                                 | 1,509     | 188        | 453              | 12,631  | 70                   | 1,026     | 6        | 273               | 119   | 1,494            | 11,137                                 | 656      | ...      | ...                          | 29                        | 2,332            | 8,516   | 108      | 152   |
| West Virginia.....  | 25,693                                 | 4,093     | 477        | 392              | 30,655  | ...                  | 1,340     | 6        | 409               | 247   | 2,002            | 28,653                                 | 2,960    | ...      | ...                          | 25                        | 4,681            | 23,751  | 92       | 104   |
| Wisconsin.....      | 15,725                                 | 2,242     | 89         | 200              | 18,256  | ...                  | 367       | ...      | 231               | 158   | 756              | 17,500                                 | 1,775    | ...      | ...                          | 28                        | 1,736            | 14,927  | 220      | 579   |
| Wyoming.....        | 1,299                                  | 108       | 16         | 36               | 1,459   | ...                  | 78        | ...      | 16                | 12    | 106              | 1,353                                  | 54       | ...      | ...                          | 26                        | 232              | 1,074   | 13       | 8     |
| Subordinate lodges  | 1,773                                  | 166       | 6          | 20               | 1,965   | ...                  | 110       | 1        | 43                | 17    | 171              | 1,794                                  | 21       | ...      | ...                          | 2                         | 260              | 1,475   | 17       | 40    |
|                     | 698,840                                | 77,503    | 12,312     | 12,731           | 801,386 | 3,461                | 33,180    | 118      | 10,442            | 8,165 | 55,366           | 746,020                                | 47,644   | 464      | 8                            | 1,319                     | 147,087          | 586,033 | 5,092    | 6,481 |

TABLE "E"—ABSTRACT OF ANNUAL REPORTS OF GRAND LODGES FOR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1919,  
SHOWING FINANCIAL CONDITION OF SUBORDINATE LODGES.

| GRAND<br>DOMAINS          | DR.                                  |            | Total      | CR.                       |                     |                                | TOTAL<br>AMOUNT<br>OF LODGE<br>ASSETS |
|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------|------------|---------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
|                           | Cash on hand<br>December<br>31, 1918 | Receipts   |            | Expended<br>for<br>relief | Current<br>expenses | Invested<br>during<br>the year |                                       |
|                           |                                      |            |            |                           |                     |                                | Cash on hand<br>December<br>31, 1919  |
| Alabama.....              | 17,020 01                            | 89,907 02  | 106,927 03 | 9,243 48                  | 35,059 93           | 40,541 62                      | 22,082 00                             |
| Albany.....               | 3,649 09                             | 4,325 29   | 7,974 09   | 1,058 36                  | 2,137 85            | 2,386 50                       | 2,391 38                              |
| Arizona.....              | 3,106 01                             | 32,743 27  | 35,849 28  | 4,577 30                  | 20,831 27           | 5,935 69                       | 4,505 02                              |
| Arkansas.....             | 7,431 28                             | 28,177 37  | 35,608 65  | 2,981 36                  | 19,642 66           | 847 06                         | 86,120 84                             |
| British Columbia.....     | 42,873 52                            | 44,927 00  | 87,800 52  | 13,148 15                 | 21,462 94           | 6,934 08                       | 175,819 52                            |
| California.....           | 149,504 07                           | 361,601 19 | 511,105 26 | 93,244 75                 | 200,393 52          | 40,536 95                      | 176,930 04                            |
| Colorado.....             | 18,239 62                            | 88,676 28  | 106,915 90 | 19,638 91                 | 53,645 76           | 11,559 18                      | 721,747 69                            |
| Connecticut.....          | 85,107 00                            | 86,464 54  | 171,661 54 | 33,319 50                 | 37,962 88           | 9,361 10                       | 170,220 74                            |
| Delaware.....             | 4,390 74                             | 21,164 17  | 25,554 91  | 3,916 23                  | 10,014 88           | 2,826 25                       | 157,817 02                            |
| District of Columbia..... | 3,305 47                             | 13,497 35  | 16,802 82  | 3,865 75                  | 6,583 08            | 2,113 23                       | 4,694 00                              |
| Florida.....              | 10,059 22                            | 45,390 97  | 55,450 19  | 7,314 75                  | 32,146 33           | 2,906 46                       | 4,240 76                              |
| Georgia.....              | 13,728 35                            | 48,375 19  | 62,103 54  | 9,786 27                  | 29,791 01           | 4,930 41                       | 13,082 65                             |
| Idaho.....                | 7,670 84                             | 30,388 22  | 38,059 06  | 4,028 43                  | 23,233 36           | 2,541 72                       | 17,595 85                             |
| Illinois.....             | 107,438 36                           | 532,914 82 | 640,353 18 | 106,029 03                | 336,933 75          | 60,873 48                      | 8,255 55                              |
| Indiana.....              | 142,779 79                           | 638,341 71 | 781,121 50 | 198,919 43                | 291,527 05          | 112,931 19                     | 136,516 92                            |
| Iowa.....                 | 23,978 76                            | 157,932 74 | 181,911 50 | 13,917 79                 | 117,520 91          | 16,061 90                      | 174,143 83                            |
| Kansas.....               | 15,876 58                            | 84,002 17  | 99,878 75  | 10,291 36                 | 51,717 45           | 2,681 35                       | 34,210 90                             |
| Kentucky.....             | 15,493 89                            | 65,249 62  | 80,743 51  | 10,966 52                 | 39,687 53           | 2,681 35                       | 35,188 59                             |
| Louisiana.....            | 17,300 03                            | 52,884 45  | 70,184 48  | 6,043 15                  | 29,238 10           | 12,696 84                      | 20,308 86                             |
| Maine.....                | 15,875 70                            | 140,522 22 | 156,397 92 | 34,027 97                 | 92,748 02           | 7,467 79                       | 22,206 39                             |
| Manitoba.....             | 1,366 05                             | 5,455 86   | 6,821 91   | 1,287 18                  | 3,951 63            | 280 00                         | 22,154 14                             |
| Maritime Provinces.....   | 33,723 15                            | 32,705 50  | 66,428 65  | 8,034 93                  | 16,865 74           | 548 57                         | 1,903 10                              |
| Maryland.....             | 13,317 83                            | 130,994 70 | 144,312 53 | 52,368 97                 | 60,856 51           | 2,262 53                       | 40,979 29                             |
| Massachusetts.....        | 30,320 51                            | 324,833 13 | 355,153 64 | 93,471 01                 | 192,279 00          | 24,113 27                      | 28,824 52                             |
| Michigan.....             | 31,210 76                            | 206,185 94 | 237,396 70 | 12,541 05                 | 149,427 30          | 28,025 42                      | 45,260 36                             |
| Minnesota.....            | 9,139 13                             | 40,100 09  | 49,239 22  | 2,852 71                  | 32,439 51           | 13,947 00                      | 13,836 85                             |
| Mississippi.....          | 16,752 55                            | 23,824 55  | 40,576 85  | 2,864 50                  | 32,875 50           | .....                          | 13,836 85                             |
| Missouri.....             | 43,017 45                            | 192,055 02 | 235,072 47 | 34,250 94                 | 132,310 86          | 17,195 39                      | 51,315 28                             |
| Montana.....              | 14,214 45                            | 43,988 09  | 58,202 54  | 7,282 68                  | 28,387 09           | 8,646 11                       | 612,145 03                            |
| Nebraska.....             | 6,553 50                             | 35,769 48  | 42,322 98  | 1,806 79                  | 26,943 19           | 3,707 80                       | 13,886 66                             |
| Nevada.....               | 4,454 08                             | 27,302 38  | 31,756 46  | 5,334 37                  | 13,186 24           | 2,576 23                       | 9,865 20                              |
| New Hampshire.....        | 15,616 60                            | 54,702 94  | 70,319 54  | 17,292 46                 | 38,674 97           | .....                          | 6,205 54                              |
|                           |                                      |            |            |                           |                     |                                | 14,352 11                             |
|                           |                                      |            |            |                           |                     |                                | 238,865 00                            |

TABLE "E"—ABSTRACT OF ANNUAL REPORTS OF GRAND LODGES FOR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1919,  
SHOWING FINANCIAL CONDITION OF SUBORDINATE LODGES—Continued.

| GRAND<br>DOMAINS        | DR.                                  |              | Total        | CR.                       |                     |                                | TOTAL<br>AMOUNT<br>OF LODGE<br>ASSETS |                                      |
|-------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|---------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
|                         | Cash on hand<br>December<br>31, 1918 | Receipts     |              | Expended<br>for<br>relief | Current<br>expenses | Invested<br>during<br>the year |                                       | Cash on hand<br>December<br>31, 1919 |
| New Jersey.....         | 73,646 28                            | 222,185 46   | 295,831 74   | 79,765 56                 | 82,297 29           | 54,771 71                      | 78,997 18                             | 492,492 97                           |
| New Mexico.....         | 3,071 76                             | 19,475 47    | 22,547 23    | 1,336 27                  | 12,120 28           | 5,381 44                       | 3,709 24                              | 29,909 82                            |
| New York.....           | 31,449 94                            | 243,266 27   | 274,716 21   | 57,791 09                 | 141,112 32          | 34,188 70                      | 41,594 10                             | 474,137 36                           |
| North Carolina.....     | 8,960 45                             | 42,645 27    | 51,605 72    | 5,120 16                  | 22,552 67           | 5,851 34                       | 18,081 55                             | 125,254 41                           |
| North Dakota.....       | 6,292 66                             | 26,785 02    | 33,077 68    | 1,323 83                  | 21,199 83           | 3,421 16                       | 7,132 86                              | 41,373 94                            |
| Ohio.....               | 222,781 48                           | 976,981 30   | 1,199,762 78 | 193,550 41                | 562,281 50          | 141,209 02                     | 302,721 85                            | 2,980,950 63                         |
| Oklahoma.....           | 7,472 89                             | 57,527 11    | 65,000 00    | 7,412 20                  | 32,168 91           | 7,305 02                       | 18,113 87                             | 108,061 48                           |
| Ontario.....            | 49,543 47                            | 35,367 76    | 84,911 23    | 10,757 80                 | 18,167 51           | 220 00                         | 55,765 92                             | 76,861 94                            |
| Oregon.....             | 15,180 27                            | 121,654 45   | 136,834 72   | 17,593 33                 | 83,678 50           | 12,815 40                      | 22,747 49                             | 444,106 34                           |
| Pennsylvania.....       | 96,423 22                            | 706,403 23   | 802,826 45   | 292,059 47                | 372,685 87          | 14,023 86                      | 124,057 25                            | 1,887,057 43                         |
| Quebec.....             | 1,919 90                             | 7,009 28     | 8,929 18     | 704 00                    | 6,425 94            | .....                          | 1,799 24                              | 9,471 91                             |
| Rhode Island.....       | 33,515 34                            | 35,764 09    | 69,279 43    | 9,634 81                  | 22,240 99           | 1,370 00                       | 36,033 63                             | 91,933 52                            |
| South Carolina.....     | 16,518 75                            | 44,016 16    | 60,534 91    | 10,339 50                 | 30,341 57           | 415 90                         | 19,437 94                             | 107,376 19                           |
| South Dakota.....       | 5,288 48                             | 20,991 02    | 26,279 50    | 1,108 30                  | 14,360 36           | 3,420 88                       | 7,389 96                              | 44,161 97                            |
| Tennessee.....          | 14,203 49                            | 44,927 20    | 59,130 69    | 6,468 00                  | 33,711 93           | 4,371 00                       | 14,629 76                             | 210,897 91                           |
| Texas.....              | 41,691 78                            | 212,015 56   | 254,607 34   | 25,231 67                 | 140,118 89          | 28,377 02                      | 60,879 76                             | 643,427 82                           |
| Utah.....               | 4,854 85                             | 25,985 36    | 30,840 21    | 4,280 25                  | 17,840 33           | 3,595 46                       | 5,124 17                              | 64,054 82                            |
| Vermont.....            | 1,499 57                             | 16,522 61    | 18,022 18    | 1,669 09                  | 12,543 29           | .....                          | 3,809 80                              | 29,874 57                            |
| Virginia.....           | 38,602 77                            | 92,184 47    | 130,787 24   | 25,834 08                 | 83,026 76           | 26,205 42                      | 45,720 98                             | 286,992 65                           |
| Washington.....         | 17,683 81                            | 143,981 00   | 161,664 81   | 18,133 36                 | 85,556 59           | 23,822 23                      | 34,152 43                             | 335,894 99                           |
| West Virginia.....      | 78,689 14                            | 257,835 82   | 336,524 96   | 78,850 87                 | 114,570 63          | 54,420 86                      | 88,682 60                             | 703,786 63                           |
| Wisconsin.....          | 18,494 84                            | 138,996 83   | 157,491 67   | 10,899 00                 | 95,814 62           | 22,821 29                      | 27,956 76                             | 306,250 50                           |
| Wyoming.....            | 3,959 95                             | 32,455 42    | 36,415 37    | 2,261 15                  | 23,794 56           | .....                          | 10,359 66                             | 62,940 05                            |
| Subordinate lodges..... | 4,713 06                             | 18,881 01    | 23,594 07    | 3,548 38                  | 13,495 35           | 691 00                         | 5,859 34                              | 57,784 23                            |
|                         | 1,721,062 45                         | 7,225,655 91 | 8,946,718 36 | 1,704,181 95              | 4,167,411 76        | 885,917 43                     | 2,189,207 22                          | 20,096,583 79                        |



TABLE "F"—ABSTRACT OF SEMI-ANNUAL REPORTS OF SUBORDINATE LODGES UNDER IMMEDIATE CONTROL, FOR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1919—MEMBERSHIP STATEMENT.

| DISTRICTS        |    | LOCATION         | No.   | Initiated | Reinstated | Admitted by card | Total | Suspended | Expelled | Withdrawn by card | Died  | Number of members,<br>December 31, 1919 | Net Gain | Net Loss | CLASSIFICATION<br>OF MEMBERSHIP |         |          |       |
|------------------|----|------------------|-------|-----------|------------|------------------|-------|-----------|----------|-------------------|-------|-----------------------------------------|----------|----------|---------------------------------|---------|----------|-------|
| Lodge            |    |                  |       |           |            |                  |       |           |          |                   |       |                                         |          |          | Past<br>Chancellors             | Knights | Esquires | Pages |
| ALASKA           |    |                  |       |           |            |                  |       |           |          |                   |       |                                         |          |          |                                 |         |          |       |
| Alaska           | 1  | Juneau           | 30    | .....     | .....      | .....            | 30    | 26        | .....    | .....             | 1     | 3                                       | .....    | 27       | 1                               | 2       | .....    | ..... |
| North Star       | 2  | Douglas          | 27    | .....     | .....      | .....            | 27    | .....     | .....    | .....             | ..... | 27                                      | .....    | .....    | 13                              | 14      | .....    | ..... |
| Cordova          | 3  | Cordova          | 79    | 1         | .....      | 1                | 81    | .....     | .....    | .....             | 1     | 80                                      | 1        | .....    | 5                               | 75      | .....    | ..... |
| AUSTRALIA        |    |                  |       |           |            |                  |       |           |          |                   |       |                                         |          |          |                                 |         |          |       |
| New South Wales  | 1  | Sydney, N. S. W. | 65    | 12        | 1          | .....            | 78    | 11        | .....    | 5                 | 2     | 60                                      | .....    | 5        | 8                               | 43      | .....    | 9     |
| CANAL ZONE       |    |                  |       |           |            |                  |       |           |          |                   |       |                                         |          |          |                                 |         |          |       |
| Panama Canal     | 1  | Ancon            | 206   | 5         | 3          | 3                | 217   | 10        | .....    | 9                 | ..... | 198                                     | .....    | 8        | 34                              | 164     | .....    | ..... |
| Canal Zone       | 2  | Cristobal        | 126   | 5         | .....      | 1                | 132   | 23        | .....    | 3                 | ..... | 106                                     | .....    | 20       | 5                               | 101     | .....    | ..... |
| HAWAII           |    |                  |       |           |            |                  |       |           |          |                   |       |                                         |          |          |                                 |         |          |       |
| Mystic           | 2  | Honolulu         | 227   | 8         | .....      | .....            | 235   | 5         | .....    | 5                 | 2     | 223                                     | .....    | 4        | 32                              | 191     | .....    | ..... |
| Aloha            | 3  | Wailuku          | 84    | 7         | .....      | 1                | 92    | 2         | .....    | 1                 | 1     | 88                                      | 4        | .....    | 19                              | 66      | 2        | 1     |
| Maile            | 4  | Honokaa          | 31    | .....     | .....      | .....            | 31    | 1         | 1        | 1                 | 1     | 27                                      | .....    | 4        | 11                              | 16      | .....    | ..... |
| Hilo             | 7  | Hilo             | 43    | 1         | .....      | .....            | 44    | 6         | .....    | 1                 | ..... | 37                                      | .....    | 6        | 15                              | 22      | .....    | ..... |
| Wm. McKinley     | 8  | Honolulu         | 131   | 15        | .....      | 1                | 147   | 6         | .....    | 3                 | 2     | 136                                     | 5        | .....    | 15                              | 113     | 1        | 7     |
| Philippines      |    |                  |       |           |            |                  |       |           |          |                   |       |                                         |          |          |                                 |         |          |       |
| Wm. McKinley     | 1  | Manila           | 57    | 9         | .....      | 1                | 67    | 10        | .....    | 2                 | ..... | 55                                      | .....    | 2        | 10                              | 44      | .....    | 1     |
| SASKATCHEWAN     |    |                  |       |           |            |                  |       |           |          |                   |       |                                         |          |          |                                 |         |          |       |
| Capital City     | 1  | Regina           | 174   | 7         | 2          | 6                | 189   | 9         | .....    | 11                | ..... | 169                                     | .....    | 5        | 18                              | 144     | 3        | 4     |
| Wascana          | 9  | Regina           | 60    | 2         | .....      | 2                | 64    | .....     | .....    | 1                 | 4     | 59                                      | .....    | 1        | 13                              | 44      | .....    | 2     |
| North Battleford | 13 | North Battleford | 112   | .....     | .....      | .....            | 112   | .....     | .....    | .....             | ..... | 112                                     | .....    | 10       | 10                              | 102     | .....    | ..... |
| Moosomin         | 17 | Moosomin         | 58    | 11        | .....      | .....            | 69    | .....     | .....    | .....             | ..... | 69                                      | 11       | .....    | 10                              | 54      | 2        | 3     |
| Melville         | 19 | Melville         | ..... | 28        | .....      | 4                | 32    | .....     | .....    | .....             | ..... | 32                                      | 32       | .....    | 12                              | 23      | .....    | 4     |
| Hiawatha         | 21 | Fleming          | 43    | 3         | .....      | .....            | 46    | .....     | .....    | .....             | ..... | 45                                      | 2        | .....    | 5                               | 23      | .....    | ..... |
| Syracuse         | 30 | Swift Current    | 133   | 49        | 3          | .....            | 182   | 1         | .....    | 1                 | 2     | 178                                     | 45       | .....    | 13                              | 151     | 9        | 5     |
| Golden Jubilee   | 33 | Radville         | 32    | .....     | .....      | .....            | 32    | .....     | .....    | .....             | ..... | 32                                      | .....    | .....    | 4                               | 25      | .....    | 3     |
| Melfort          | 34 | Melfort          | 16    | 3         | .....      | .....            | 19    | .....     | .....    | .....             | ..... | 19                                      | 3        | .....    | 2                               | 17      | .....    | ..... |
| Maldstone        | 35 | Maldstone        | 39    | .....     | .....      | .....            | 39    | .....     | .....    | .....             | ..... | 39                                      | .....    | .....    | 7                               | 31      | .....    | 1     |
|                  |    |                  | 1,773 | 166       | 6          | 20               | 1,965 | 110       | 1        | 43                | 17    | 1,794                                   | 103      | 82       | 262                             | 1,475   | 17       | 40    |

TABLE "G"—ABSTRACT OF SEMI-ANNUAL REPORTS OF SUBORDINATE LODGES UNDER IMMEDIATE CONTROL, FOR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1919—SHOWING FINANCIAL CONDITION.

| DISTRICTS             |          | DR.                                     |           | CR.       |                           |                     |                                | TOTAL<br>AMOUNT<br>OF LODGE<br>ASSETS |                                         |
|-----------------------|----------|-----------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|---------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|
| LODGE                 | LOCATION | Cash on<br>hand<br>December<br>31, 1918 | Receipts  | Total     | Expended<br>for<br>relief | Current<br>expenses | Invested<br>during<br>the year |                                       | Cash on<br>hand<br>December<br>31, 1919 |
| ALASKA                |          |                                         |           |           |                           |                     |                                |                                       |                                         |
| Alaska.....           | No. 1    | 31 35                                   | 4 50      | 35 85     | .....                     | 8 30                | .....                          | 27 55                                 | 27 55                                   |
| North Star.....       | 2        | 69 20                                   | .....     | 69 20     | .....                     | .....               | .....                          | 69 20                                 | 69 20                                   |
| Cordova.....          | 3        | 790 45                                  | 719 70    | 1,510 15  | 49 00                     | 706 60              | 100 00                         | 654 55                                | 904 55                                  |
| AUSTRALIA             |          |                                         |           |           |                           |                     |                                |                                       |                                         |
| New South Wales.....  | 1        | 46 00                                   | 281 52    | 327 52    | .....                     | 223 18              | .....                          | 104 34                                | 206 86                                  |
| CANAL ZONE            |          |                                         |           |           |                           |                     |                                |                                       |                                         |
| Panama Canal.....     | 1        | 202 35                                  | 1,555 13  | 1,757 48  | 228 63                    | 1,087 84            | .....                          | 441 01                                | 3,659 36                                |
| Canal Zone.....       | 2        | 175 03                                  | 592 76    | 767 76    | .....                     | 495 61              | 100 00                         | 172 15                                | 672 15                                  |
| HAWAII                |          |                                         |           |           |                           |                     |                                |                                       |                                         |
| Mystic.....           | 2        | 220 53                                  | 7,134 00  | 7,354 53  | 1,573 10                  | 5,653 38            | .....                          | 128 05                                | 30,977 31                               |
| Aloha.....            | 3        | 549 79                                  | 1,054 00  | 1,603 79  | 305 00                    | 801 64              | .....                          | 497 15                                | 4,665 15                                |
| Maile.....            | 4        | 885 97                                  | 1,173 00  | 1,058 97  | 250 00                    | 63 40               | .....                          | 745 57                                | 1,485 57                                |
| Hilo.....             | 7        | 345 23                                  | 555 51    | 900 74    | .....                     | 609 07              | .....                          | 291 67                                | 1,546 27                                |
| Wm. McKinley.....     | 8        | 140 24                                  | 1,626 55  | 1,766 79  | 462 50                    | 869 71              | .....                          | 434 58                                | 6,426 56                                |
| PHILIPPINES           |          |                                         |           |           |                           |                     |                                |                                       |                                         |
| Wm. McKinley.....     | 1        | 112 70                                  | 1,503 77  | 1,616 47  | 414 00                    | 496 22              | .....                          | 706 25                                | 1,989 72                                |
| SASKATCHEWAN          |          |                                         |           |           |                           |                     |                                |                                       |                                         |
| Capital City.....     | 1        | 69 10                                   | 950 00    | 1,019 10  | 142 60                    | 775 80              | .....                          | 100 70                                | 881 70                                  |
| Wascana.....          | 9        | 45 65                                   | 438 65    | 484 30    | 15 00                     | 423 40              | .....                          | 45 90                                 | 537 95                                  |
| North Battleford..... | 13       | 272 73                                  | .....     | 272 73    | .....                     | .....               | .....                          | 272 73                                | 272 73                                  |
| Moosomin.....         | 17       | 119 05                                  | 517 70    | 636 75    | 92 00                     | 207 32              | .....                          | 337 43                                | 826 43                                  |
| Melville.....         | 19       | .....                                   | 87 00     | 87 00     | .....                     | 15 00               | .....                          | 72 00                                 | 522 00                                  |
| Hiawatha.....         | 21       | 69 53                                   | 228 25    | 297 78    | .....                     | 233 50              | .....                          | 64 28                                 | 524 28                                  |
| Syracuse.....         | 30       | 247 19                                  | 1,354 00  | 1,601 19  | 16 55                     | 732 13              | 491 00                         | 361 51                                | 1,256 17                                |
| Golden Jubilee.....   | 33       | 51 87                                   | .....     | 51 87     | .....                     | .....               | .....                          | 51 87                                 | 51 87                                   |
| Melfort.....          | 34       | 119 80                                  | 105 00    | 224 80    | .....                     | 93 25               | .....                          | 131 55                                | 131 55                                  |
| Maldstone.....        | 35       | 149 30                                  | .....     | 149 30    | .....                     | .....               | .....                          | 149 30                                | 149 30                                  |
|                       |          | 4,713 06                                | 18,881 01 | 23,594 07 | 3,548 38                  | 13,495 35           | 691 00                         | 5,859 34                              | 57,784 23                               |

# Biennial Report

## of the

# Supreme Master of Exchequer

WILMINGTON, N. C., July 1, 1920.

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

As required by law, I submit the following summary of the receipts and disbursements of this office for the biennial term ending June 30th, 1920.

### RECEIPTS.

|                                   |    |                                             |              |
|-----------------------------------|----|---------------------------------------------|--------------|
| 1918                              |    |                                             |              |
| July                              | 1  | Balance on hand, this date.....             | \$ 85,215.23 |
| Sept.                             | 30 | Receipts for quarter, ending this date..... | 12,695.75    |
| Dec.                              | 31 | Receipts for quarter, ending this date..... | 24,517.35    |
| 1919                              |    |                                             |              |
| March                             | 31 | Receipts for quarter, ending this date..... | 17,904.78    |
| June                              | 30 | Receipts for quarter, ending this date..... | 29,609.45    |
| Sept.                             | 30 | Receipts for quarter, ending this date..... | 23,661.68    |
| Dec.                              | 31 | Receipts for quarter, ending this date..... | 27,254.63    |
| 1920                              |    |                                             |              |
| March                             | 31 | Receipts for quarter, ending this date..... | 26,878.43    |
| June                              | 30 | Receipts for quarter, ending this date..... | 38,504.07    |
| Total, balance and receipts ..... |    |                                             | \$286,241.37 |

### DISBURSEMENTS.

|                                    |    |                                          |              |
|------------------------------------|----|------------------------------------------|--------------|
| 1918                               |    |                                          |              |
| Sept.                              | 30 | Exchequer orders paid, this quarter..... | \$ 45,584.01 |
| Dec.                               | 31 | Exchequer orders paid, this quarter..... | 13,092.39    |
| 1919                               |    |                                          |              |
| March                              | 31 | Exchequer orders paid, this quarter..... | 17,505.45    |
| June                               | 30 | Exchequer orders paid, this quarter..... | 16,289.62    |
| Sept.                              | 30 | Exchequer orders paid, this quarter..... | 19,400.05    |
| Dec.                               | 31 | Exchequer orders paid, this quarter..... | 17,199.78    |
| 1920                               |    |                                          |              |
| March                              | 31 | Exchequer orders paid, this quarter..... | 24,473.03    |
| June                               | 30 | Exchequer orders paid, this quarter..... | 23,985.87    |
| Total disbursements .....          |    |                                          | \$177,530.20 |
| Balance on hand, July 1, 1920..... |    |                                          | \$108,711.17 |

### ANALYSIS.

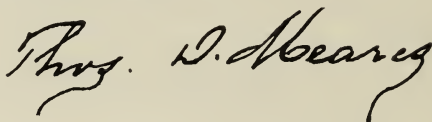
Of the total of receipts shown, \$193,860.15 was remitted to me by the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal, and is made up of the semi-annual tax and sale of supplies. The remaining \$7,165.99 represents interest earned on funds in my hands.

The balance shown to be on hand consists of the following:

|                                            |              |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------|
| United States Bonds, safe deposit box..... | \$ 45,000.00 |
| United States Bonds, in hand.....          | 15,000.00    |
| Certificates of deposit .....              | 45,539.81    |
| Open bank account .....                    | 3,171.36     |
| <u>\$108,711.17</u>                        |              |

In addition to the above assets, the Supreme Lodge holds a mortgage note on property in Wilmington, Delaware, amounting to \$7,500, upon which interest is being paid at the rate of six per cent.

Fraternally submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Thos. D. Kearney". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed title.

*Supreme Master Exchequer.*



## Quarterly Reports of the Committee on Finance

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN., October 11, 1919.

*Charles S. Davis, S. C., Denver, Colo.:*

The quarterly meeting of the committee on finance of the Supreme Lodge was held at the office of the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal, October 10 and 11, 1919.

Those present were: Richard S. Witte, Charles J. Deckman, sub-committee, and Fred E. Wheaton, S.K.R.S.

The books, records and accounts of the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal and the Supreme Master of Exchequer were examined and audited.

The following is a statement of the Supreme Lodge finances as shown by the books for the quarter ending September 30, 1919:

|                                                     |                   |
|-----------------------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Receipts of S.K.R.S. during quarter.....            | \$37,976.17       |
| Remitted to S.M.E. during quarter.....              | \$18,946.45       |
| Remitted to S.M.E. September 30, en route.....      | 10,000.00         |
|                                                     | <hr/> 28,946.45   |
| Cash on hand, S.K.R.S., September 30, 1919.....     | \$ 9,029.72       |
| Cash on hand, S.M.E., June 30, 1919.....            | \$77,471.09       |
| Remittance June 30, 1919, en route.....             | 3,894.60          |
| Order No. 7251, outstanding.....                    | 30.00             |
|                                                     | <hr/> \$81,395.69 |
| Warrants issued during quarter.....                 | 19,400.05         |
|                                                     | <hr/> \$61,995.64 |
| Received on account of interest during quarter..... | \$ 820.63         |
| Remitted by S.K.R.S. during quarter.....            | 18,946.45         |
|                                                     | <hr/> 19,767.08   |
| Balance on hand, S.M.E., September 30, 1919.....    | \$81,762.72       |

The funds of the Supreme Master of Exchequer are invested and deposited as follows:

|                                            |                   |
|--------------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Liberty Bonds .....                        | \$60,000.00       |
| Certificates of deposit.....               | 15,000.00         |
| Murchison National Bank, open account..... | 6,762.72          |
|                                            | <hr/> \$81,762.72 |

Brother Charles J. Deckman reported that, pursuant to the order of the chairman of the finance committee, he examined the records and books of account of the Major General at Grand Rapids, Michigan, which report was received and placed on file.

The Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal submitted three separate claims authorized and approved by the Supreme Chancellor, under and pursuant to the provisions of Document 144, S.L. Proceedings, 1918, being an appropriation of the funds of the Supreme Lodge to be known as the Supreme Lodge Relief Fund. After considering said document and the

provisions of section 70, chapter XII, Supreme statutes, your committee are of the opinion that all claims chargeable to said fund must be approved by the committee on finance before exchequer order can issue.

The quarterly audit of the certified public accountant of the books and securities of the Supreme Master of Exchequer, covering the War Relief Fund, showing detail of receipts and disbursements for last quarter and a balance on hand October 1, 1919, of \$301,209.57, was received and placed on file.

RICHARD S. WITTE, *Chairman*,  
CHARLES J. DECKMAN,  
*Sub-committee.*

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN., January 10. 1920.

*Charles S. Davis, S. C., Denver, Colo.:*

The quarterly meeting of the committee on finance of the Supreme Lodge was held at the office of the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal, January 10, 1920.

Those present were: Richard S. Witte, James A. Steese, sub-committee, and Fred E. Wheaton, S.K.R.S.

The books, records and accounts of the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal and the Supreme Master of Exchequer were examined and audited.

The following is a statement of the Supreme Lodge finances as shown by the books for the quarter ending December 31, 1919:

|                                                                                     |              |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Cash on hand, S.K.R.S., October 31, 1919.....                                       | \$ 9,029.72  |
| Receipts during quarter.....                                                        | 10,591.53    |
| Total .....                                                                         | \$19,621.25  |
| Remitted to S.M.E. during quarter.....                                              | \$16,227.59  |
| Remitted to S.M.E. December 31, 1919, en route.....                                 | 3,393.66     |
|                                                                                     | \$19,621.25  |
| Cash on hand, S.M.E., October 31, 1919.....                                         | \$81,732.72  |
| Remittance en route.....                                                            | 10,000.00    |
| Remitted by S.K.R.S. during quarter.....                                            | 19,621.25    |
| Received on account of interest.....                                                | 1,027.04     |
|                                                                                     | \$112,381.01 |
| Warrants issued during quarter.....                                                 | 17,199.78    |
|                                                                                     | \$95,181.23  |
| Remittance en route .....                                                           | 3,393.66     |
|                                                                                     | \$91,787.57  |
| Order No. 733 outstanding.....                                                      | 30.00        |
| Cash on hand, S.M.E., December 31, 1919.....                                        | \$91,817.57  |
| The funds of the Supreme Master of Exchequer are deposited and invested as follows: |              |
| Invested in bonds.....                                                              | \$60,000.00  |
| Certificate of deposit.....                                                         | 30,000.00    |
| Murchison National Bank, open account.....                                          | 1,817.57     |
|                                                                                     | \$91,817.57  |

The question of the budget for the Military Department was taken up and considered, and the following budget for the ensuing six months was adopted:

|                           |           |
|---------------------------|-----------|
| Salary Major General..... | \$ 900.00 |
| Clerk hire .....          | 360.00    |
| Office rent .....         | 180.00    |
| Traveling expense .....   | 400.00    |
| Printing .....            | 300.00    |
| Publicity .....           | 100.00    |
| Field work .....          | 600.00    |

\$2,840.00

The Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal reported the renewal of insurance on supplies in his office in the sum of \$5,000, and the voucher for premium thereon was approved.

The bond of the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal for the ensuing year was submitted and voucher for premium approved.

The Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal submitted that it was essential to better the efficiency in the office that he be furnished a Multigraph, and his recommendation to purchase one for the sum of \$150 was approved.

The quarterly audit of the public accountant of the books and securities of the Supreme Master of Exchequer covering the War Relief Fund, showing detail of receipts and disbursements, and showing a balance on hand, January 1, 1920, of \$315,166.55, was received and placed on file.

RICHARD S. WITTE, *Chairman*,

JAMES A. STEESE,

*Sub-committee.*

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN, April 10, 1920.

*Charles S. Davis, S. C., Denver, Colo.:*

The quarterly meeting of the committee on finance of the Supreme Lodge was held at the office of the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal on April 9 and 10, 1920.

Those present were: John B. Vaughn, James A. Steese, sub-committee, and Fred E. Wheaton, S.K.R.S.

The books, records and accounts of the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal and the Supreme Master of Exchequer were examined and audited.

The following is a statement of the Supreme Lodge finances as shown by the books for the quarter ended March 31, 1920:

|                                                  |              |
|--------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Receipts of S.K.R.S. during quarter.....         | \$46,044.86  |
| Remitted to S.M.E. during quarter.....           | \$22,514.15  |
| Remitted to S.M.E., en route.....                | 15,000.00    |
|                                                  | 37,514.15    |
| Cash on hand, S.K.R.S., March 31, 1920.....      | \$ 8,530.71  |
| Cash on hand, S.M.E., December 31, 1919.....     | \$95,181.23  |
| Remitted by S.K.R.S.....                         | \$22,514.15  |
| Remitted by S.K.R.S. en route.....               | 15,000.00    |
|                                                  | 37,514.15    |
| Received account of interest.....                | 970.62       |
| Total .....                                      | \$133,666.00 |
| Warrants issued during quarter.....              | 24,473.03    |
| Cash on hand, S.M.E., March 31, 1920.....        | \$109,192.97 |
| Remittance en route.....                         | 15,000.00    |
|                                                  | \$94,192.97  |
| Outstanding warrants .....                       | 226.38       |
| Actual cash on hand, S.M.E., March 31, 1920..... | \$94,419.35  |

The funds of the Supreme Master of Exchequer are deposited and invested as follows:

|                                            |             |
|--------------------------------------------|-------------|
| Invested in bonds.....                     | \$60,000.00 |
| Certificates of deposit.....               | 30,000.00   |
| Murchison National bank, open account..... | 4,419.35    |

\$94,419.35

The quarterly audit of the public accountant of the books and securities of the Supreme Master of Exchequer, covering the War Relief Fund, showing details of receipts and disbursements, and showing a balance on hand, March 31, 1920, of \$318,357.39, was received and placed on file. .

JOHN B. VAUGHN,

JAMES A. STEESE,

*Sub-committee.*

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN., July 10, 1920.

*Charles S. Davis, S. C., Denver, Colo.:*

The annual meeting of the committee on finance of the Supreme Lodge was held at the office of the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal July 9 and 10, 1920.

Those present were: Richard S. Witte, Chairman, Charles J. Deckman, James A. Steese, John B. Vaughn and Benjamin D. Brantley, of the committee on finance, and Fred E. Wheaton, S.K.R.S.

The books, records and accounts of the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal and the Supreme Master of Exchequer were examined and audited.

The following is a statement of the Supreme Lodge finances as shown by the books for the quarter ended June 30, 1920:

|                                             |                     |
|---------------------------------------------|---------------------|
| Cash on hand, S.K.R.S., March 31, 1920..... | \$ 8,530.71         |
| Receipts during quarter.....                | 18,440.18           |
| <b>Total .....</b>                          | <b>\$26,970.99</b>  |
| Remitted to S.M.E. during quarter.....      | \$22,360.94         |
| Remitted to S.M.E. June 30, 1920.....       | 4,610.05            |
| <b>Total as above.....</b>                  | <b>\$26,970.99</b>  |
| Cash on hand, S.M.E., March 31, 1920.....   | \$109,192.97        |
| Remitted by S.K.R.S. during quarter.....    | 22,360.94           |
| Remitted by S.K.R.S., en route.....         | 4,610.05            |
| Received account of interest.....           | 1,143.13            |
|                                             | <b>\$137,307.09</b> |
| Warrants issued during quarter.....         | 23,985.87           |
| Cash on hand, June 30, 1920.....            | \$113,321.22        |
| Remittance en route.....                    | 4,610.05            |
| Cash on deposit.....                        | \$108,711.17        |
| Order No. 7496 outstanding.....             | 30.00               |
|                                             | <b>\$108,741.17</b> |

The funds of the Supreme Master of Exchequer are deposited and invested as follows:

|                                            |                     |
|--------------------------------------------|---------------------|
| Invested in bonds .....                    | \$60,000.00         |
| Murchison National Bank.....               | 10,000.00           |
| Home Savings Bank.....                     | 10,000.00           |
| Wilmington Savings & Trust Co.....         | 10,000.00           |
| Peoples Savings Bank.....                  | 10,000.00           |
| American Bank & Trust Co.....              | 5,539.81            |
| Murchison National Bank, open account..... | 3,201.36            |
|                                            | <b>\$108,741.17</b> |



The quarterly audit of the public accountant of the books and securities of the Supreme Master of Exchequer, covering the War Relief Fund, showing detail of receipts and disbursements, and showing balance on hand of \$326,893.84, was received and placed on file.

The question of the budget for the Military Department was taken up and on motion made and carried the following budget for the ensuing six months was adopted:

|                                |            |
|--------------------------------|------------|
| Salary Major General.....      | \$ 900.00  |
| Clerk hire .....               | 360.00     |
| Office rent .....              | 180.00     |
| Traveling expense .....        | 400.00     |
| Printing .....                 | 300.00     |
| Publicity .....                | 100.00     |
| Field work .....               | 600.00     |
| Expenses Supreme Assembly..... | 750.00     |
|                                | <hr/>      |
|                                | \$3,590.00 |

In recognition of the increased cost of living and faithful service, it was moved, seconded and carried that the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal draw vouchers in the sum of \$200 in favor of John P. McCracken and Agnes Lyndahl, as extra compensation.

Brother Charles J. Deckman reported that, pursuant to the order of the chairman of the finance committee, he examined the books and records of the Major General at Grand Rapids, Michigan, and submitted detailed report, which was received and ordered placed on file.

Brother Benjamin D. Brantley reported that, pursuant to direction of the chairman of the committee on finance, en route he stopped over at Wilmington, North Carolina, and examined the records and files of the office of the Supreme Master of Exchequer and the various banks and trust companies where the funds of the Supreme Lodge are deposited, and found the records satisfactory and the banks in sound condition.

The Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal submitted an inventory of the assets of the Supreme Lodge, and same was audited by the committee and found correct. Recapitulated, it is as follows:

|                   |             |
|-------------------|-------------|
| Jewels .....      | \$ 4,947.86 |
| Jewel cases ..... | 1,042.80    |
| Cards .....       | 426.23      |
| Blanks .....      | 1,096.54    |
| Books .....       | 3,108.03    |
|                   | <hr/>       |
|                   | \$10,621.46 |

RICHARD S. WITTE, *Chairman*,  
 CHARLES J. DECKMAN,  
 JAMES A. STEESE,  
 JOHN B. VAUGHN,  
 BENJAMIN D. BRANTLEY,  
*Committee on Finance.*

# Report of the Board of Control

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INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA, July 19, 1920.

*To the Officers and Members of the Supreme Lodge, Knights of Pythias:*

BROTHERS: Complying with the provisions of the Supreme Statutes, we hereby respectfully submit the Sixteenth Biennial Report showing the conditions and progress of the Insurance Department for the biennial term from June 30, 1918, to July 1, 1920.

This report is intended to give in detail the statistical data showing all business of the Department for the biennial period. We take great pleasure in submitting reports from the Officers of the Department, which present in summarized form, under appropriate headings, the sources of income and balances of the various accounts for which expenditures have been made during this period. The brief statement of your Board of Control preceding reports of the President, General Secretary, General Counsel and Medical Examiner-in-Chief, deals with the general results, and forecasts the possibilities of the Department for a greater service to the Order. We, therefore, urge you to examine carefully into the reports of the Officers, that you may be fully acquainted with the details connected with the management of the Insurance Department which extends its benefits into every part of the Supreme Domain.

When the Supreme Lodge was last in convention assembled, there were many new problems confronting the Board of Control for which there were no precedents to guide. That the Department has been able to successfully meet conditions brought about by War and Epidemic, pay its liabilities, and waive two monthly payments, is a matter for congratulation.

Following the signing of the Armistice, came a great revival of interest in fraternal societies, which attracted thousands of men to our Order. It is particularly gratifying that a large number of this new membership have become members of the Insurance Department. When they became members of the Department, they gained for themselves, and their families, insurance protection unsurpassed anywhere.

Our Insurance Department, despite the losses by war—losses which, while causing deep regret, yet animate us with pride in the heroism of our fallen brothers—and despite the ravages of influenza, which carried off hundreds of our brothers, has prospered as never before in its history.

## OUR ABILITY TO SERVE TESTED

The test made by double loss from war and epidemic found our Insurance Department able to meet every demand, thus justifying the wisdom of the Supreme Lodge in adopting methods by which our Insurance Department protects its insured members by a mortuary reserve fund. We contemplate with the utmost satisfaction, that our Department is fulfilling the purposes for which it was instituted.

Losses in war and from the epidemic of influenza which swept twice over the United States and Canada increased daily until hundreds of claims were received. Like every other organization of its kind, the Insurance Department faced a double test—a trial which measured the stability of the Department.

We feel confident that the Supreme Body as well as every member of the Order, takes a just pride in the performance of our Department which met every claim in full and completed payment promptly and at a time when it was most needed. This drain on our mortuary fund in no way impaired the solidity of the organization. A reference to the financial statement in this report is positive proof of the excellent condition of the organization which enabled it to meet the demand. Our Department also waived one monthly payment during each year of the biennial period, thereby declaring a dividend equal to the average for the last fourteen years.

Pythianism is service. To this end the Insurance Department was organized, that it might protect the weak and care for the widow and the orphan. The Insurance Department meets the needs of the membership in its service, and protects the homes which are the strength and bulwark of our Nation.

The Insurance Department is loyal to that government which guarantees freedom and pursuit of happiness to its membership. When the world war began and it was necessary for our countries to engage not only in carrying arms but also in obtaining funds with which to supply that vast army, the Insurance Department was the first fraternal society to purchase Liberty Bonds. During the years the conflict was waged, the Department continued to purchase more of these bonds both from the United States and Canada, until there are held in the vaults of the Department, more than One Million Dollars worth of Government War Securities. More than one-tenth of all the reserve of the Department is invested in Liberty and Victory Bonds of the United States and Canada.

## RECORD OF GROWTH

During the last biennial term, your Insurance Department has made a net increase of insurance in force of \$8,789,025.00. The

millions of dollars represented in our net gain of protection and the millions standing through the years may be contemplated only when we begin to understand what welfare is wrought in the name of the Pythian Order by the distribution of the benefits among widows and orphans. The Department is eager to safeguard the interest of those who confide in it the protection of home and family.

The record made by the Department is due, in a large measure, to the capable and aggressive field force, the loyal and earnest men who represent the Department among the membership, and to the Section Secretaries who gave to the Department much zealous and faithful support, and to those of us entrusted with the administration of the Department affairs, it is signally gratifying to witness the co-operation received from the membership of the Order over the entire Supreme Domain.

During the biennial term the Department made a net gain in its reserve fund of \$2,208,692.04. There is now held in this fund the sum of \$9,995,717.56, every dollar of which is safely invested as required by Supreme Statutes, and drawing the highest rate of interest consistent with safe investment.

## INVESTMENTS

The attention of the members of the Supreme Lodge is respectfully invited to the investments of the funds of the Department as shown in the exhibit which is a part of this report.

During the biennial term, the sum of \$1,378,960.73 has been invested with the greatest possible care. We are pleased to report that the interest earning on all the funds of the Department has been in excess of 5.16% per annum, and the further fact that of the invested funds there have been no losses. The Board has made an effort to distribute the investments throughout the Supreme Domain—within the provisions of the Statutes.

Furthermore, the amount of delinquent interest on the entire \$10,433,815.31 of investments on the 30th day of June was only \$7,845.00. Your Board takes pride in the fact that they have thus been enabled to conduct the business without the losses incident to a business of this magnitude.

## WAIVED PAYMENTS

During the biennial term, the Board of Control waived two monthly payments, thus making a saving of approximately one half million dollars for the members of the Department. During the last fourteen years the Department has in this manner saved the membership over \$2,500,000, thus providing twelve months of protection for only eleven monthly payments.



## EXPENSE FUND

The decrease in the Expense Fund of the Insurance Department during the Biennial Term is due very largely to the fact that upon the recommendation of our Consulting Actuary there was transferred from the Expense Fund to the Fourth and Fifth Class Mortuary Funds, the sum of \$103,000. It will be recalled that provision is made in the Supreme Statutes for the distribution of any surplus determined as a result of the Annual Valuation and Accounting, after providing for mortality, expense and reserve, and this transfer of funds, not needed for expense purposes, was the means adopted of returning such surplus to the membership. The balance of such decrease is due to the expense of securing the large increase of insurance in force during the biennial term as disclosed by this Report of the Board of Control, to the commissions paid superintendents as a result of this increase, and to the additional amount paid as medical fees.

The great benefits to the Insurance Department and its members from this increased insurance will be reflected in the favorable mortality to be expected therefrom as well as in the increased receipts from such members.

## EDUCATION AND PUBLICITY

The sum total of our accomplishments is not set forth in the tables and statistics showing insurance in force, benefits paid, or growth of membership. These, flattering as they are, do not constitute the whole of our achievements. During the biennial term, the Department has found means for presenting information to the public at large regarding the Order and the Insurance Department. Many of the newspapers of the country have presented our story of service to their millions of readers, which publicity has benefitted the Order and the Department in various ways.

The Pythian Press has devoted much attention to the activities of the Insurance Department, columns of matter having been used by the editors, and your Board of Control publicly acknowledges the benefit of this service. We also express our appreciation for the work these publications are doing for the betterment of the Order. Their efforts are performed largely out of goodness of heart, and without profit save in the realization that each editor has contributed much toward the growth of Pythian fraternity.

In the official publication, THE INSURANCE DEPARTMENT NEWS, we have an organ of constantly increasing power for good. It is one of the foremost fraternal publications of the country, and is a faithful reflection of the mind of the Order and the Department. It represents adequately the spirit of Pythianism and is ever broad-

ening in improvement, detailing the progress and growth of the Order. Aside from its educational and inspirational value, this publication has done much to establish recognition of the Department among the members throughout the Supreme Domain.

Because of the extent of well directed publicity carried on by the Department, not only has there been an exceptional growth of membership, but due to the educational advantage of such continued campaigning, lapsation has been reduced.

## FORTY-THIRD ANNIVERSARY

For forty-three years the Insurance Department has been thoroughly Pythian and consequently obedient to the parent Order. It has stood ever ready to do its share in the upbuilding of the fraternity. More than twenty-six thousand Pythians have been called since the Department was organized and the Department has redeemed its pledge by the payment in full of every claim, thus distributing more than \$47,000,000 among their dependents. Viewing it from every side, the history of the Department should be a matter of pride and satisfaction to every member of the Order. Every step has been of advance, every action has been taken for the betterment, safety and perpetuity of the organization. Men of ability have given their time and energy to the promotion of the principles of our Order and the development of the Department, and we are today, indeed fortunate in this heritage..

## OFFICERS AND STANDING COMMITTEES

At a Special Meeting of the Board of Control held in Wayne Castle, Detroit, Mich., on Friday morning, August 16, 1918, Charles F. S. Neal, Lebanon, Ind., and William A. Owen, Covington, Tenn., both re-elected members of the Board of Control at Convention of Supreme Lodge held at Detroit, Mich., August, 1918, qualified as members of said Board.

At the meeting of the Board of Control, October, 1918, the Board elected the following officers:

|                            |                           |
|----------------------------|---------------------------|
| Harry Wade .....           | President                 |
| Walter O. Powers .....     | General Secretary         |
| G. G. McConnell, M. D..... | Medical Examiner-in-Chief |
| S. H. Esarey .....         | General Counsel           |

On recommendation, the following Standing Committees were approved:

FINANCE COMMITTEE: Charles S. Davis, William Ladew, John J. Brown, Charles F. S. Neal, William R. O'Neal.

COMMITTEE ON LAW AND SUPERVISION: William A. Owen, George A. Bangs, John J. Brown.

FIELD COMMITTEE: William J. Duval, William Ladew, William R. O'Neal.

MEDICAL COMMITTEE: Edward A. Horton, William Ladew, Charles F. S. Neal.

ACTUARIAL COMMITTEE: George A. Bangs, Edward A. Horton, William J. Duval.

COMMITTEE ON SUBDIVISION AND REFERENCE: William Ladew, Charles F. S. Neal, William R. O'Neal.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE: Harry Wade, Walter O. Powers, William A. Owen, Charles S. Davis.

### GENERAL BUSINESS OF THE BOARD

During the biennial term, the Board has held the quarterly meetings as required by the Statutes, and has also held special meetings when business of sufficient importance warranted such additional meetings.

The routine business of the Department has been promptly and carefully attended to, which embraces, at each quarterly meeting, a complete checking of all the securities of the Department, the auditing of the books and records of the office by members of the Board, the consideration of the reports of the President, General Secretary, General Counsel, and the Medical Examiner-in-Chief, covering the work assigned them; the investment of all moneys belonging to the several funds of the Department, and such other business as may come before the Board.

The following is a summarized report of the most important actions of the Board at the several meetings during the biennial period.

The general trend of the insurance companies and societies having been toward a simplification of the blanks required in the proof of death, to that end the Board has prepared and has now in use, a much simpler form than that used heretofore.

A subscription was authorized for \$100,000 of Fourth Liberty Loan Bonds in addition to the \$650,000 of Liberty Loan Bonds then owned by the Department.

The Indiana National Bank of Indianapolis, Indiana, the National City Bank of Indianapolis, Indiana, and the Central Trust Company of Chicago, Illinois, were designated as Depositories of the funds of the Department. The Officers were directed to notify the National Surety Company of New York of the appointment of the designated banks as Depositories and of the rules governing

the deposit and withdrawal of funds, and also to notify the said Depositories of their appointment, and of the rules governing the withdrawal of funds, with the request that they furnish written acceptance of such appointment.

The Resolution on record as to those authorized to have access to the Safety Deposit Vaults was readopted, leaving out the names of the individuals and using the words "Supreme Chancellor" and "Officers."

The contract with the National Surety Company of New York for the following fidelity bonds was renewed:

|                           |                                |          |
|---------------------------|--------------------------------|----------|
| Harry Wade .....          | President .....                | \$25,000 |
| Walter O. Powers.....     | General Secretary .....        | 50,000   |
| G. G. McConnell, M. D.... | Medical Examiner-in-Chief..... | 1,000    |
| H. A. Knochemus .....     | Cashier .....                  | 25,000   |
| Margaret Kyte .....       | Assistant Cashier .....        | 5,000    |
| T. J. Wilkinson .....     | Auditor .....                  | 50,000   |
| O. L. Hayes .....         | General Bookkeeper .....       | 2,500    |
| Roy L. Marsh .....        | Asst. to Gen'l Secretary.....  | 10,000   |
| O. T. Eaton.....          | Manager Certificate Dept.....  | 1,000    |
| Robert E. Long.....       | Manager Forfeiture Dept.....   | 1,000    |
| Chas. K. Baker, Jr.....   | Manager Suply Dept.....        | 1,000    |
| Scott Rowley .....        | Mailing Clerk .....            | 2,000    |
| Eugene Alberty .....      | Section No. 1250 .....         | 1,000    |
| H. D. Bowman .....        | Auditing Department .....      | 1,000    |
| E. A. Gruneisen .....     | Auditing Department .....      | 1,000    |
| Claude S. Scott.....      | Auditing Department .....      | 1,000    |
| J. C. Kryter.....         | Auditing Department .....      | 1,000    |
| T. H. Little.....         | Auditing Department .....      | 1,000    |
| H. L. Todd.....           | Auditing Department .....      | 1,000    |
| Altus C. Mann.....        | Auditing Department .....      | 1,000    |

An amendment to the General Rules was adopted, providing for a Standing Committee on Subdivision and Reference, and Mr. Ladew, Mr. Neal and Mr. O'Neal were appointed on said Committee.

The following resolution with respect to War Risks was adopted:

RESOLVED: That all Members of the Insurance Department whether residents of the United States, or the Dominion of Canada, or whether in the service of either Country in the present European War, or in the performance of duties connected with the armies or navies of either country in said war, shall not be affected by reason of any restriction or regulation made by the Insurance Department, in reference to such service, but said restrictions and regulations contained in their Certificates shall be suspended for the period



of said War and no defense founded thereon and occurring during the period of said War shall be made, other requirements being fulfilled,

RESOLVED, further that the prohibited classification of "Military or Naval service in time of war in actual service," "Red Cross and Hospital work in time of war in active service," "Soldiers and Sailors in time of war in active service," shall remain and be in full force and effect as to all certificates, except as above provided.

Burglary Insurance to the amount of \$500,000 was provided, covering the securities owned by the Insurance Department and carried in the vaults of the Indiana Trust Company, this insurance to be equally divided between two responsible companies.

Because of the high rate of exchange between the United States and Canada, the Royal Bank of Canada, located at St. Thomas, Ontario, was designated as a Depository, all receipts from Canadian members to be deposited in said bank, and all Canadian death claims to be paid from said account.

## ANNUAL ACCOUNTING

The Board of Control, in full performance of its duty under the Supreme Statutes, with respect to the Annual Accounting, re-employed Col. S. H. Wolfe, of New York, one of the best known actuaries, to do this work, and we herewith present in full, the reports made by Col. Wolfe as of December 31, 1918, and December 31, 1919.

The following certificate was received from Col. S. H. Wolfe, our Consulting Actuary, regarding the tests made of the data submitted to him for the purpose of the Annual Accounting:

Office of  
S. H. and Lee J. Wolfe,  
Consulting Actuaries,  
Auditors and Accountants.

165 Broadway, New York City  
July 20, 1920.

*Board of Control, Insurance Department, Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias.*

GENTLEMEN:

"I hereby certify that I have made tests to determine the accuracy and correctness of the data furnished to me by the Insurance Department, Knights of Pythias, as the basis for the annual valuation and accounting for the year ended December 31, 1919, and such errors as developed by such tests do not materially affect the correctness of the results. In my opinion the data sent to me furnishes a substantially correct and proper basis for the annual accounting."

Yours very truly,  
(Signed) S. H. WOLFE.

NEW YORK, N. Y., January 20, 1919.

*Board of Control, Insurance Department, Knights of Pythias,  
Indianapolis, Indiana:*

GENTLEMEN: In accordance with your instructions I have valued the outstanding certificates in the Fifth Class from data submitted to me and submit herewith the results of my calculations, together with my suggestions for the annual accounting required by your Supreme Statutes.

This valuation takes no account of the disability policies or riders issued by the Insurance Department.

Very respectfully,

(Signed) LEE J. WOLFE.

### FIFTH CLASS VALUATION

#### INSURANCE DEPARTMENT, KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS

The exhibit of your outstanding insurance as of December 31, 1918, as submitted to me for valuation purposes is as follows:

| <i>Issues of</i> | <i>Plan A</i> | <i>Plan B</i> | <i>Plan C</i> | <i>Plan D</i> |
|------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| 1907             | \$4,442,000   | \$4,163,500   | \$671,000     | \$6,750,500   |
| 1908             | 2,999,500     | 2,003,000     | 469,500       | 15,081,500    |
| 1909             | 3,755,500     | 1,635,500     | 422,000       | 7,522,500     |
| 1910             | 881,500       | 851,500       | 88,500        | 2,180,500     |
| 1911             | 2,726,500     | 1,033,500     | 73,000        | 2,697,500     |
| 1912             | 921,500       | 1,075,000     | 36,500        | 914,500       |
| 1913             | 1,191,000     | 1,196,500     | 46,000        | 568,500       |
| 1914             | 1,386,000     | 1,204,500     | 58,000        | 433,500       |
| 1915             | 1,319,000     | 854,500       | 42,000        | 304,000       |
| 1916             | 1,652,500     | 1,150,500     | 42,000        | 381,000       |
| 1917             | 2,207,000     | 1,370,000     | 63,000        | 244,500       |
| 1918             | 2,928,500     | 1,265,000     | 13,500        | 246,500       |
|                  | <hr/>         | <hr/>         | <hr/>         | <hr/>         |
|                  | \$26,410,500  | \$17,803,000  | \$2,025,000   | \$37,325,000  |

| <i>Issues of</i> | <i>Plan E-A</i> | <i>Plan E-B</i> | <i>Plan G-A</i> | <i>Plan G-B</i> |
|------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| 1907             | .....           | \$3,000         | \$2,000         | .....           |
| 1908             | \$3,000         | 2,000           | .....           | .....           |
| 1909             | .....           | 1,000           | .....           | \$1,000         |
| 1913             | .....           | .....           | .....           | 2,000           |
| 1914             | .....           | .....           | 1,000           | 2,000           |
| 1915             | 105,000         | 37,500          | 1,000           | 1,000           |
| 1916             | 509,500         | 296,500         | .....           | .....           |
| 1917             | 612,000         | 202,000         | 185,000         | 229,500         |
| 1918             | 950,000         | 236,500         | 262,500         | 206,500         |
|                  | <hr/>           | <hr/>           | <hr/>           | <hr/>           |
|                  | \$2,179,500     | \$778,500       | \$451,500       | \$442,000       |

# SUMMARY

|                           |              |
|---------------------------|--------------|
| Plan A .....              | \$26,410,500 |
| Plan B .....              | 17,803,000   |
| Plan C .....              | 2,025,000    |
| Plan D .....              | 37,325,000   |
| Plan E-A .....            | 2,179,500    |
| Plan E-B .....            | 778,500      |
| Plan G-A .....            | 451,500      |
| Plan G-B .....            | 442,000      |
| Paid-up A, B, D .....     | 402,737      |
| Extended, all Plans ..... | 6,591,500    |

\$94,409,237

I have valued your outstanding certificates according to the mid-year value method prescribed by Insurance Departments and on the basis of the American Experience Table of Mortality with interest at 3½ per centum per annum and find the reserves to be as follows:

| <i>Issues of</i> | <i>Plan A</i>         | <i>Plan B</i>         | <i>Plan D</i>         | <i>Plan E-A</i>    |
|------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|
| 1907 .....       | \$ 879,247.64         | \$1,109,832.93        | \$ 367,896.09         | .....              |
| 1908 .....       | 562,285.61            | 482,806.11            | 760,903.10            | \$ 614.59          |
| 1909 .....       | 738,576.37            | 361,732.09            | 348,021.72            | .....              |
| 1910 .....       | 138,872.10            | 149,819.04            | 92,138.94             | .....              |
| 1911 .....       | 529,838.63            | 163,535.20            | 102,598.52            | .....              |
| 1912 .....       | 101,243.33            | 138,691.25            | 30,964.41             | .....              |
| 1913 .....       | 115,603.24            | 125,874.30            | 16,736.61             | .....              |
| 1914 .....       | 117,564.29            | 101,970.29            | 10,672.40             | .....              |
| 1915 .....       | 92,131.69             | 54,723.29             | 6,005.69              | 4,917.80           |
| 1916 .....       | 80,970.05             | 52,791.84             | 5,366.93              | 17,669.75          |
| 1917 .....       | 67,049.91             | 37,379.96             | 2,063.62              | 11,255.04          |
| 1918 .....       | 33,508.22             | 11,760.14             | 668.06                | 5,435.20           |
|                  | <u>\$3,456,891.08</u> | <u>\$2,790,916.44</u> | <u>\$1,744,036.08</u> | <u>\$39,892.38</u> |

| <i>Issues of</i> | <i>Plan E-B</i>    | <i>Plan G-A</i>   | <i>Plan G-B</i>   |
|------------------|--------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| 1907 .....       | \$ 837.58          | \$ 475.98         | .....             |
| 1908 .....       | 387.40             | .....             | .....             |
| 1909 .....       | 207.22             | .....             | \$ 257.72         |
| 1913 .....       | .....              | .....             | 324.75            |
| 1914 .....       | .....              | 100.44            | 282.69            |
| 1915 .....       | 2,317.84           | 148.30            | 85.03             |
| 1916 .....       | 12,749.62          | .....             | .....             |
| 1917 .....       | 5,128.94           | 4,624.83          | 6,608.24          |
| 1918 .....       | 2,070.68           | 2,534.90          | 2,006.73          |
|                  | <u>\$23,699.28</u> | <u>\$7,884.45</u> | <u>\$9,565.16</u> |

# SUMMARY

|                          |                |
|--------------------------|----------------|
| Plan A .....             | \$3,456,891.08 |
| Plan B .....             | 2,790,916.44   |
| Plan D .....             | 1,744,036.08   |
| Plan E-A .....           | 39,892.38      |
| Plan E-B .....           | 23,699.28      |
| Plan G-A .....           | 7,884.45       |
| Plan G-B .....           | 9,565.16       |
| Paid-up A, B, D .....    | 178,760.99     |
| Extended Insurance ..... | 384,295.71     |

\$8,635,941.57

Your General Secretary has furnished me with the following statement of the Fifth Class December 31, 1918:

|                                                                        |                |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|
| Mortuary Fund December 31, 1918 (not including advance payments) ..... | \$9,058,572.20 |
| Mortuary portion of assessments in hands of local Secretaries .....    | 22,180.89      |
|                                                                        | <hr/>          |
| Unpaid death claims outstanding .....                                  | \$9,080,753.09 |
|                                                                        | 301,529.45     |
|                                                                        | <hr/>          |
| Net Fifth Class Mortuary Fund December 31, 1918.....                   | \$8,779,223.64 |

This showing is particularly gratifying in view of the fact that the additional hazards caused by the war and the epidemic have created an unprecedented condition in the insurance world. Their effect on fraternal organizations you are familiar with, but it may interest you to know that one of the largest legal reserve insurance companies—the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company—which had assets of \$704,016,964.97 and insurance in force of \$3,936,181,898 on December 31, 1917 (the 1918 figures not having been published) has been compelled to pass the dividends on its ordinary insurance.

Your attention is called to the excellent condition of the expense fund which is practically at the highest point at which it has ever been.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

(Signed) LEE J. WOLFE.

NEW YORK, N. Y., January 20, 1919.

*Board of Control, Insurance Department, Knights of Pythias,  
Indianapolis, Indiana:*

GENTLEMEN: Having completed the valuation of the outstanding certificates in the Fourth Class from data furnished to me by your General Secretary, I take pleasure in submitting the results of my calculations according to the American Experience Table of Mortality with interest at 3½ per centum per annum, the mid-year method of valuation as prescribed by the Insurance Departments being used.

Very respectfully,

(Signed) LEE J. WOLFE.

#### FOURTH CLASS VALUATION

##### INSURANCE DEPARTMENT, KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS

The following table shows the outstanding insurance and reserve arranged by options:



| <i>Option</i>  | <i>Outstanding Insurance</i> | <i>Reserve</i> |
|----------------|------------------------------|----------------|
| Option C ..... | \$ 349,500                   | \$ 73,261.78   |
| Option D ..... | 189,500                      | 8,617.06       |
| Option E ..... | 39,000                       | 501.72         |
| Option F ..... | 51,363                       | 12,135.23      |
| Option G ..... | 25,845                       | 6,447.88       |
| Option H ..... | 1,301,000                    | 308,835.89     |
|                | <hr/>                        | <hr/>          |
|                | \$1,956,208                  | \$409,799.56   |

The condition of your mortuary fund according to the advice of your General Secretary on December 31, 1918, was as follows:

|                                                                        |              |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Mortuary Fund December 31, 1918 (not including advance payments) ..... | \$619,797.54 |
| Mortuary portion of assessments in hands of local Secretaries..        | 507.65       |
|                                                                        | <hr/>        |
|                                                                        | \$620,305.19 |
| Unpaid death claims outstanding .....                                  | 14,179.00    |
|                                                                        | <hr/>        |
| Net Fourth Class Mortuary Fund December 31, 1918.....                  | \$606,126.19 |

You will therefore see that you have net assets on hand of \$606,126.19 to meet liabilities of \$409,799.56, or in other words, a surplus of \$196,326.63. By reference to the previous reports you will note that your attention has been called to the fact that the increase in the reserve was a decreasing factor and I am pleased to be able to report the same condition of affairs continued during 1918, the increase during 1918 amounting to only \$13,478.21.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

(Signed) LEE J. WOLFE.

NEW YORK, N. Y., January 22, 1920.

*Board of Control, Insurance Department, Knights of Pythias,  
Indianapolis, Indiana:*

GENTLEMEN: I have valued the outstanding certificates in the Fifth Class from the group sheets submitted to me and submit herewith the results of my calculations, together with suggestions for the annual accounting prescribed by your statutes.

The attached figures deal in no way with the disability policies or riders issued by your Insurance Department, it being understood that there will be maintained as a liability the entire unexpended disability fund.

Very respectfully,

S. H. and LEE J. WOLFE,

By S. H. WOLFE.

The exhibit of outstanding insurance as of December 31, 1919, submitted to me for valuation is as follows:

| <i>Issues of</i> | <i>Plan A</i> | <i>Plan B</i> | <i>Plan C</i> | <i>Plan D</i> |
|------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| 1907 .....       | \$ 4,422,500  | \$ 4,107,500  | \$ 620,500    | \$ 6,230,500  |
| 1908 .....       | 3,047,500     | 1,984,500     | 436,000       | 13,869,000    |
| 1909 .....       | 3,698,000     | 1,621,500     | 396,500       | 6,870,500     |
| 1910 .....       | 876,000       | 831,000       | 82,500        | 2,017,500     |
| 1911 .....       | 2,578,000     | 1,020,000     | 71,000        | 2,471,500     |
| 1912 .....       | 903,000       | 1,059,500     | 31,500        | 852,500       |
| 1913 .....       | 1,161,000     | 1,168,000     | 42,000        | 516,500       |
| 1914 .....       | 1,343,500     | 1,164,500     | 48,000        | 414,000       |
| 1915 .....       | 1,243,000     | 813,000       | 39,000        | 282,500       |
| 1916 .....       | 1,533,000     | 1,110,000     | 35,000        | 353,500       |
| 1917 .....       | 1,990,500     | 1,279,000     | 58,000        | 228,500       |
| 1918 .....       | 2,666,500     | 1,120,000     | 10,500        | 227,000       |
| 1919 .....       | 4,178,500     | 2,909,000     | 37,000        | 354,500       |
|                  | <hr/>         | <hr/>         | <hr/>         | <hr/>         |
|                  | \$29,641,000  | \$20,187,500  | \$1,907,500   | \$34,688,000  |

| <i>Issues of</i> | <i>Plan E-A</i> | <i>Plan E-B</i> | <i>Plan G-A</i> | <i>Plan G-B</i> |
|------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| 1907 .....       | .....           | \$ 3,000        | \$ 2,000        | .....           |
| 1908 .....       | \$ 3,000        | 2,000           | .....           | \$ 3,000        |
| 1909 .....       | .....           | 1,000           | .....           | 1,000           |
| 1911 .....       | .....           | 2,000           | .....           | .....           |
| 1913 .....       | .....           | .....           | .....           | 2,000           |
| 1914 .....       | .....           | .....           | 1,000           | 2,000           |
| 1915 .....       | 103,000         | 30,000          | 1,000           | 2,000           |
| 1916 .....       | 485,500         | 283,000         | 2,000           | .....           |
| 1917 .....       | 552,000         | 189,500         | 170,500         | 206,000         |
| 1918 .....       | 815,500         | 210,000         | 226,500         | 181,500         |
| 1919 .....       | 1,686,500       | 315,000         | 367,000         | 499,500         |
|                  | <hr/>           | <hr/>           | <hr/>           | <hr/>           |
|                  | \$3,645,500     | \$1,035,500     | \$770,000       | \$897,000       |

#### SUMMARY

|                                 |              |
|---------------------------------|--------------|
| Plan A .....                    | \$29,641,000 |
| Plan B .....                    | 20,187,500   |
| Plan C .....                    | 1,907,500    |
| Plan D .....                    | 34,688,000   |
| Plan E-A .....                  | 3,645,500    |
| Plan E-B .....                  | 1,035,500    |
| Plan G-A .....                  | 770,000      |
| Plan G-B .....                  | 897,000      |
| Paid-up A, B, E-A, E-B, D ..... | 437,931      |
| Extended, all Plans .....       | 6,215,000    |
|                                 | <hr/>        |
|                                 | \$99,424,931 |

The outstanding certificates have been valued according to the mid-year value method prescribed by Insurance Departments on the basis of the American Experience Table of Mortality with interest at  $3\frac{1}{2}$  per centum per annum and I find the reserves to be as follows:

| <i>Issues of</i> | <i>Plan A</i>  | <i>Plan B</i>  | <i>Plan D</i>  | <i>Plan E-A</i> |
|------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|
| 1907 .....       | \$ 958,743.84  | \$1,200,324.25 | \$ 357,118.42  | .....           |
| 1908 .....       | 639,917.33     | 533,704.22     | 742,278.73     | \$ 677.67       |
| 1909 .....       | 811,238.85     | 402,142.39     | 341,597.05     | .....           |
| 1910 .....       | 153,308.75     | 166,794.16     | 93,563.38      | .....           |
| 1911 .....       | 556,655.90     | 186,024.10     | 103,855.49     | .....           |
| 1912 .....       | 114,079.58     | 160,592.91     | 32,879.91      | .....           |
| 1913 .....       | 132,959.23     | 148,032.81     | 17,674.38      | .....           |
| 1914 .....       | 139,667.84     | 122,882.10     | 12,253.22      | .....           |
| 1915 .....       | 112,221.80     | 68,479.13      | 7,061.62       | 6,298.73        |
| 1916 .....       | 105,656.94     | 72,742.27      | 6,870.63       | 23,725.04       |
| 1917 .....       | 102,362.26     | 59,251.11      | 3,286.33       | 16,791.12       |
| 1918 .....       | 92,906.89      | 31,706.05      | 1,849.85       | 14,298.77       |
| 1919 .....       | 39,839.68      | 25,945.88      | 981.61         | 9,290.18        |
|                  | <hr/>          | <hr/>          | <hr/>          | <hr/>           |
|                  | \$3,959,558.89 | \$3,178,639.38 | \$1,721,270.62 | \$71,081.51     |

| <i>Issues of</i> | <i>Plan E-B</i> | <i>Plan G-A</i> | <i>Plan G-B</i> |
|------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| 1907 .....       | \$ 926.98       | \$ 410.88       | .....           |
| 1908 .....       | 433.06          | .....           | \$ 914.91       |
| 1909 .....       | 233.43          | .....           | 290.19          |
| 1911 .....       | 381.72          | .....           | .....           |
| 1913 .....       | .....           | .....           | 389.90          |
| 1914 .....       | .....           | 124.63          | 269.92          |
| 1915 .....       | 2,475.85        | 193.27          | 199.54          |
| 1916 .....       | 17,367.47       | 107.35          | .....           |
| 1917 .....       | 8,125.18        | 7,331.38        | 10,098.87       |
| 1918 .....       | 5,617.53        | 6,925.11        | 5,356.20        |
| 1919 .....       | 2,657.52        | 3,544.79        | 4,768.89        |
|                  | <hr/>           | <hr/>           | <hr/>           |
|                  | \$38,218.74     | \$18,637.41     | \$22,288.42     |

#### SUMMARY

|                |                |
|----------------|----------------|
| Plan A .....   | \$3,959,558.89 |
| Plan B .....   | 3,178,639.38   |
| Plan D .....   | 1,721,270.62   |
| Plan E-A ..... | 71,081.51      |
| Plan E-B ..... | 38,218.74      |
| Plan G-A ..... | 18,637.41      |
| Plan G-B ..... | 22,288.42      |
| Paid-up .....  | 197,823.44     |
| Extended ..... | 362,241.77     |
|                | <hr/>          |
|                | \$9,569,760.18 |

At the request of your Actuarial Committee a test was made of the foregoing data and of the data required for your annual accounting; the results of the tests are outlined in a report to that Committee, but I may state at this point that no error of any magnitude was disclosed which would in any way affect the correctness of the final results.

# ANNUAL ACCOUNTING—FIFTH CLASS

|                                                                                                                                             |                 |                 |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Mortuary Fund December 31, 1919, as shown in Ledger<br>(not including advance payments) .....                                               | \$ 9,943,177.91 |                 |
| Mortuary portion of assessments in hands of local Secretaries .....                                                                         | 34,562.35       |                 |
| Accrued interest on invested funds and certificate loans.....                                                                               | 123,565.26      |                 |
|                                                                                                                                             |                 | \$10,101,305.52 |
| Unpaid death claims outstanding December 31,<br>1919 .....                                                                                  | \$98,115.00     |                 |
| Net value of death claims occurring prior to<br>January 1, 1920, but which were not reported<br>to your Insurance Department until 1920.... | 24,995.00       |                 |
| Balance due on installment claims.....                                                                                                      | 47,019.43       |                 |
| Mortuary portion of released reserves on certi-<br>ficates transferred to higher rate plans.....                                            | 15,776.32       | \$185,905.75    |
|                                                                                                                                             |                 | \$9,915,399.77  |
| Net value of certificates as shown in preceding schedule...                                                                                 |                 | 9,569,760.18    |
| Surplus in Mortuary Fund .....                                                                                                              |                 | \$345,639.59    |

It is unnecessary for me to spend much time in pointing out the excellent condition of the Fifth Class as indicated by this valuation. The war and the influenza epidemic have seriously tried all forms of insurance organizations and that you have emerged in such splendid shape is a matter of which you may be justly proud. Attention, however, should be called to the excellent gain in outstanding insurance—an important fact if your risks have been well selected, which is bound to be of great benefit to the Order.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

S. H. and LEE J. WOLFE,  
By S. H. WOLFE.

NEW YORK, N. Y., January 22, 1920.

*Board of Control, Insurance Department, Knights of Pythias,  
Indianapolis, Indiana:*

GENTLEMEN: I submit herewith the results of my calculations of the group sheets of the Fourth Class outstanding certificates as submitted to me; the valuation has been made on the mid-year method of valuation as prescribed by the Insurance Departments and on the basis of the American Experience Table of Mortality with interest at 3½ per centum per annum.

Very respectfully,

S. H. and LEE J. WOLFE,  
By S. H. WOLFE.

The outstanding insurance and mid-year reserve values arranged by options are shown in the following table:



| <i>Option</i>  | <i>Outstanding Insurance</i> | <i>Reserve</i> |
|----------------|------------------------------|----------------|
| Option C ..... | \$ 339,500                   | \$ 80,769.18   |
| Option D ..... | 183,500                      | 6,876.59       |
| Option E ..... | 31,500                       | 516.13         |
| Option F ..... | 47,161                       | 12,470.77      |
| Option G ..... | 25,302                       | 7,159.42       |
| Option H ..... | 1,197,000                    | 318,165.29     |
|                | <hr/>                        | <hr/>          |
|                | \$1,823,963                  | \$425,957.38   |

In connection with the foregoing your attention is invited to the fact that persistency of your members is considerably greater this year than in previous years and in consequence the Fourth Class did not show the decrease which was anticipated.

The mortuary fund of the Fourth Class on December 31, 1919, is as follows:

|                                                                 |              |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Mortuary Fund as shown by the books.....                        | \$629,449.27 |
| Mortuary portion of assessments in hands of Section Secretaries | 1,137.30     |
| Accrued interest on investments and certificate loans and liens | 66,410.42    |
|                                                                 | <hr/>        |
|                                                                 | \$696,996.99 |
| Unpaid death claims outstanding .....                           | 17,306.00    |
|                                                                 | <hr/>        |
|                                                                 | \$679,690.99 |

To meet the present value of the certificates \$425,957.38 you have a mortuary fund of \$679,690.99—and the excellent condition disclosed thereby requires no comment by me. While the increase in reserve during 1918 amounted to only \$13,478, the increase during 1919 was slightly over \$16,000, the increase being due to unusual persistency of your members as referred to before.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

S. H. and LEE J. WOLFE,  
By S. H. WOLFE.

## EFFICIENCY COMMITTEE

To keep step with the progress of the day, an Efficiency Committee was created to consider the entire matter of the business of the Department, and to ascertain whether or not the business of the Department was conducted in an economical and efficient manner, and to that end the Committee, through the Supreme Chancellor, employed Mr. Guy H. Kennedy, a certified public accountant of Cincinnati, Ohio, to make a survey of the office and do such other work as might be necessary to aid him in determining any necessary changes in the business.

After a thorough and exhaustive study and examination, Mr. Kennedy made a report in detail with his recommendations as to the changes to be made, which recommendations are being worked out by the Board for the betterment of the Department.

## RENEWAL OF LEASE

Your Board had under consideration for several months, the question of securing for the Department, a permanent home and location. After a careful investigation, the lease for the space occupied in the Indiana Pythian Building was renewed for a period of five years at the same rental as has heretofore been paid.

## RESOLUTIONS

Resolutions with respect to the services of Past Supreme Chancellors Brig. S. Young and John J. Brown were presented and adopted.

A telegram was sent to Honorable Theodore Roosevelt, expressing the sympathy of the Insurance Department over the loss of his youngest son on the Field of Battle.

A resolution was adopted with respect to the death of Lieut. Horton, son of Brother E. A. Horton, St. Thomas, Ontario, member of the Board of Control.

## SUPREME REPRESENTATIVES

We desire to express our deep appreciation for services rendered the Department by members of this Supreme Body. It is easy without reserve to speak of those things performed by you which have meant much in the campaign that has been waged to extend the benefits of the Order to the wives and children of its membership. You have, by your interest in the welfare of the Pythian household, enacted proper legislation, and in many instances recommended the consideration of the Department to Pythians seeking the best mediums of protection for their loved ones.

The Board expresses its appreciation of the services of the Supreme Chancellor and Supreme Vice Chancellor in their splendid services to the Order, as expressed in their efforts in the presentation of benefits of the Department to the membership throughout the Supreme Domain.

The Board realizes that only by complete co-operation between the membership at large, can success be obtained. During the last biennial term the fullest and most complete co-operation has been given.

## CONCLUSION

The Board of Control and Officers of the Insurance Department have been studious in their co-operation with the Order and its auxiliaries in every way possible to advance the Pythian

cause, and in doing their share of the work of education and the spread of Pythian service. We turn towards the coming years, filled with hope and buoyant with expectation that the Department will faithfully serve its purpose not only in the protection of the Pythian household, but also in the performance of effective labor that will make our Order more attractive to men in years to come.

We trust that the conditions which prompt this report will warrant the Supreme Lodge to continue its confidence and support to the end that the Insurance Department may hand down to posterity this priceless heritage, enlarged and enriched.

Fraternally submitted,

W. A. Owen *Charles S. Dow*  
Supreme Chancellor.

Geo. A. Bangs *Wm. L. Galt*  
Supreme Vice-Chancellor.

Wm. R. O'Neal *John J. Brown*  
Past Supreme Chancellor.

*W. H. Horton* *L. B. Neal*  
*W. J. Hurval*  
Board of Control.

# Report of the President of the Insurance Department

For Biennial Term Beginning July 1, 1918 and Ending  
June 30, 1920

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INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA, July 19, 1920.

*To the Board of Control Insurance Department, Supreme Lodge,  
Knights of Pythias:*

BROTHERS: At the time of preparing my report for the biennial term ending June 30, 1918, we were in the midst of the World War, and our Insurance Department was contending with some very serious conditions.

However, I am extremely glad to be able to report to you that we not only came through the ordeal of the War, but also passed through the Epidemic of Influenza, which proved to be even more disastrous for all insurance organizations, without the impairment of our funds.

Our death losses because of casualties of War amounted to \$30,000, while our death losses because of the Epidemic of Influenza amounted to \$250,000.

All of these death losses were promptly paid, and in addition to that, we declared one waived payment for each year of the biennial term. This is something that no other fraternal society was able to do, and a great many old line companies have either reduced the amounts of their dividends, or done away with them entirely. The past two years have certainly been a severe test, but we have emerged in splendid shape, and our position in the insurance world is becoming more firmly established.

The splendid increase of membership in the subordinate lodges of the Supreme Domain during the past two years has given our Department a larger field for its work. Great enthusiasm in the work of our Insurance Department has been engendered in the membership of our Order. This is the result of education. People are most enthusiastic about things they know most about.

The full knowledge of the facts regarding our Department has secured the absolute confidence of the members of the Order Knights of Pythias. Our Insurance Department has in the past four years been able to obtain more favorable publicity through



the Insurance Department News, the public press, the fraternal press, addresses at public and lodge meetings, and special advertising literature than ever before in its history.

This has all been educational, and it has been one of the factors in the production of the wonderful increase of membership in our Department and the increase of insurance in force.

The members of our great Order are fast becoming convinced that a certificate of membership in our Insurance Department is one of the necessities of a Pythian.

The field representatives of our Department now find a welcome everywhere in the lodges and homes of our brethren. Old certificate holders are increasing their insurance, newly initiated Pythians no longer hesitate, and the applications are for larger amounts on an average than ever before.

The good will and judgment of the members of our Order is shown in the present demand for protection for their families and dependents through our Department.

Under the leadership of the Board of Control, our membership is now working to build the Insurance Department to the highest possible point of efficiency, to the end that this Department may render to its members and to the Order Knights of Pythias, greater service than ever before given by any society devoted to the interests of fraternal insurance.

Not only is the work of this Department producing beneficial results for the Insurance Department, but the same work and activity is unquestionably greatly aiding the up-building of the Order Knights of Pythias. The possibilities of the great future that is before us is, indeed, very encouraging. The membership of the Order will undoubtedly reach the million mark within a short time, and the field and work of the Insurance Department will be greatly broadened and strengthened.

The good that can and will be accomplished through the work of our Insurance Department and which will be to the credit and honor of our Order, is beyond conception at this time, but will be realized in the years to come to the great gratification and satisfaction of the members of our Order.

The present splendid condition of our Insurance Department as to its increase in assets, its great growth in membership and insurance in force, and its high standing in the minds of all Knights of Pythias is not an accident but is a condition produced by the hard work of the Board of Control and the Officers of the Department. The present growth of the Department is not a spasmodic one, but it will be proved that the membership of our Order have recognized the value and importance of the Insurance Department of the Order Knights of Pythias. The prompt discharge of

every duty assigned to this Department, the prompt payment of death claims, the careful investment of Department funds, the watchful care of every interest of the certificate holder, the publicity in detail given the workings of the Department, the special information furnished by the Home Office to members requesting the same, and the energetic, faithful work of our field force, have all been great factors in producing the results we are now able to show.

The best idea of the work of our Department can be given by a brief review of the past few years.

## APPLICATIONS

Applications for insurance were received at the Home Office during the past four and one-half years as follows:

|                                                        |              |
|--------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| 6,350 applications received during year 1916 for.....  | \$ 7,880,000 |
| 5,880 applications received during year 1917 for.....  | 7,568,000    |
| 4,965 applications received during year 1918 for.....  | 7,045,500    |
| 8,671 applications received during year 1919 for.....  | 13,127,000   |
| 6,020 applications received Jan. 1 to June 30, 1920... | 9,383,500    |

During the biennial term June 30, 1918, to June 30, 1920, 16,802 applications were received for \$25,594,500 of insurance.

## CERTIFICATES ISSUED

Certificates of insurance were issued by our Department during the past four and one-half years as follows:

|                                                         |              |
|---------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| 5,182 certificates issued during year 1916 for.....     | \$ 6,154,000 |
| 4,957 certificates issued during year 1917 for.....     | 6,089,000    |
| 3,969 certificates issued during year 1918 for.....     | 5,293,000    |
| 7,062 certificates issued during year 1919 for.....     | 10,160,500   |
| 4,953 certificates issued Jan. 1, to June 30, 1920..... | 7,455,500    |

During the biennial term June 30, 1918, to June 30, 1920, 13,672 certificates were issued for \$19,875,000 of insurance. Of this amount, less than 4% was written under Plans "C" (step rate) and "D" (term insurance.)

## MEMBERSHIP OF INSURANCE DEPARTMENT

|                                 |        |
|---------------------------------|--------|
| January 1st, 1916.....          | 70,860 |
| January 1st, 1917.....          | 71,682 |
| January 1st, 1918.....          | 72,461 |
| January 1st, 1919.....          | 72,547 |
| January 1st, 1920.....          | 76,040 |
| June 30th, 1920.....            | 79,010 |
| Membership June 30th, 1920..... | 79,010 |
| Membership June 30th, 1918..... | 72,874 |

|                             |       |
|-----------------------------|-------|
| Net gain biennial term..... | 6,136 |
|-----------------------------|-------|

## INSURANCE IN FORCE

The year 1916 seems to have been the turning point in our Insurance Department. Our insurance in force had dropped to \$96,430,991. At that point the increase began, and we have now passed the One Hundred Million mark. The reaching and passing of that mile stone in the life of every insurance society and company is longingly looked forward to, and passed with much gratification. We hope, and have reason to believe, that we will soon leave that mile stone far in the rear of our progress.

The amount of insurance in force upon the books of this Department during the past four and one half years was as follows:

|                                         |                  |
|-----------------------------------------|------------------|
| January 1st, 1916.....                  | \$ 96,430,991.00 |
| January 1st, 1917.....                  | 96,398,817.00    |
| January 1st, 1918.....                  | 96,508,135.00    |
| January 1st, 1919.....                  | 96,365,445.00    |
| January 1st, 1920.....                  | 101,248,894.00   |
| June 30th, 1920.....                    | 105,692,015.00   |
| Insurance in force June 30th, 1920..... | \$105,692,015.00 |
| Insurance in force June 30th, 1918..... | 96,902,990.00    |

Net Gain June 30th, 1918 to June 30th, 1920..\$ 8,789,025.00

During the biennial term June 30th, 1916 to June 30th, 1918, our gain of insurance in force was \$263,275.00.

### GAIN AND LOSS OF INSURANCE IN FORCE

The following table shows the losses and gains of insurance in force during the years as follows:

|                              |         |                |
|------------------------------|---------|----------------|
| 1915.....                    | Loss of | \$2,253,243.00 |
| 1916.....                    | Loss of | 32,174.00      |
| 1917.....                    | Gain of | 109,318.00     |
| 1918.....                    | Loss of | 142,690.00     |
| 1919.....                    | Gain of | 4,883,449.00   |
| 1920 (First Six Months)..... | Gain of | 4,443,121.00   |

The table below shows the losses and gains of insurance in force by states.

### STATES AND PROVINCES IN WHICH A GAIN OF INSURANCE IN FORCE HAS BEEN MADE

June 30th, 1918 to June 30th, 1920

| <i>States and<br/>Provinces</i> | <i>Number Members<br/>June 30, 1920</i> | <i>Ins. in Force<br/>June 30, 1920</i> | <i>Amount<br/>of Gain</i> |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Alabama .....                   | 3,004                                   | \$4,252,807                            | \$ 331,584                |
| Alaska .....                    | 4                                       | 7,000                                  | 1,000                     |
| Alberta .....                   | 19                                      | 18,775                                 | 675                       |
| Arizona .....                   | 282                                     | 455,454                                | 29,000                    |
| Arkansas .....                  | 1,727                                   | 2,947,262                              | 90,519                    |

| <i>States and<br/>Provinces</i> | <i>Number Members<br/>June 30, 1920</i> | <i>Ins. in Force<br/>June 30, 1920</i> | <i>Amount<br/>of Gain</i> |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| British Columbia .....          | 156                                     | 180,093                                | 1,503                     |
| California .....                | 2,687                                   | 3,858,919                              | 573,144                   |
| Colorado .....                  | 930                                     | 1,132,815                              | 4,678                     |
| Dist of Columbia .....          | 272                                     | 351,815                                | 5,635                     |
| Florida .....                   | 1,797                                   | 2,508,820                              | 389,243                   |
| Georgia .....                   | 2,596                                   | 4,083,493                              | 273,543                   |
| Illinois .....                  | 5,231                                   | 6,000,989                              | 285,503                   |
| Indiana .....                   | 4,446                                   | 4,626,531                              | 116,301                   |
| Iowa .....                      | 591                                     | 790,739                                | 283,165                   |
| Kentucky .....                  | 1,582                                   | 2,002,406                              | 190,827                   |
| Maine .....                     | 700                                     | 699,193                                | 32,997                    |
| Manitoba .....                  | 40                                      | 48,000                                 | 3,000                     |
| Maryland .....                  | 679                                     | 722,152                                | 82,530                    |
| Massachusetts .....             | 1,794                                   | 1,942,746                              | 152,771                   |
| Minnesota .....                 | 863                                     | 1,188,066                              | 84,991                    |
| Mississippi .....               | 3,142                                   | 5,217,483                              | 78,501                    |
| New Mexico .....                | 197                                     | 303,284                                | 40,151                    |
| North Carolina .....            | 2,877                                   | 3,840,260                              | 130,167                   |
| North Dakota .....              | 395                                     | 600,360                                | 138,000                   |
| Ohio .....                      | 5,338                                   | 6,131,372                              | 1,547,135                 |
| Oklahoma .....                  | 1,673                                   | 2,330,521                              | 382,315                   |
| Ontario .....                   | 216                                     | 244,943                                | 500                       |
| Oregon .....                    | 982                                     | 1,555,985                              | 576,786                   |
| Pennsylvania .....              | 4,708                                   | 4,927,586                              | 537,738                   |
| South Carolina .....            | 3,014                                   | 4,431,772                              | 580,992                   |
| Texas .....                     | 7,245                                   | 11,990,515                             | 375,360                   |
| Utah .....                      | 277                                     | 351,521                                | 43,656                    |
| Virginia .....                  | 1,661                                   | 2,110,755                              | 437,956                   |
| Washington .....                | 1,174                                   | 1,632,159                              | 104,997                   |
| West Virginia .....             | 2,286                                   | 2,564,762                              | 407,489                   |
| Wisconsin .....                 | 1,760                                   | 2,646,927                              | 1,447,353                 |

STATES AND PROVINCES IN WHICH A LOSS  
OF INSURANCE IN FORCE WAS INCURRED

| <i>States and<br/>Provinces</i> | <i>Number Members<br/>June 30, 1920</i> | <i>Ins. in Force<br/>June 30, 1920</i> | <i>Amount<br/>of Loss</i> |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Connecticut .....               | 569                                     | 662,973                                | 38,799                    |
| Delaware .....                  | 146                                     | 145,115                                | 5,000                     |
| Hawaiian Islands .....          | 37                                      | 76,000                                 | 6,000                     |
| Idaho .....                     | 139                                     | 215,023                                | 2,500                     |
| Kansas .....                    | 623                                     | 758,704                                | 31,104                    |
| Louisiana .....                 | 2,419                                   | 3,792,203                              | 43,103                    |
| Michigan .....                  | 597                                     | 707,182                                | 56,131                    |
| Missouri .....                  | 2,328                                   | 2,821,861                              | 251,930                   |
| Montana .....                   | 349                                     | 501,039                                | 42,873                    |
| Nebraska .....                  | 153                                     | 202,913                                | 20,157                    |
| Nevada .....                    | 140                                     | 233,491                                | 37,000                    |
| New Brunswick .....             | 84                                      | 105,612                                | 4,500                     |
| New Hampshire .....             | 191                                     | 204,748                                | 14,000                    |
| New Jersey .....                | 806                                     | 836,814                                | 67,944                    |
| New York .....                  | 1,783                                   | 2,248,155                              | 98,168                    |
| Nova Scotia .....               | 13                                      | 12,407                                 | 1,593                     |
| Quebec .....                    | 59                                      | 72,779                                 | 1,500                     |
| Rhode Island .....              | 88                                      | 103,318                                | 7,000                     |
| Saskatchewan .....              | 25                                      | 31,722                                 | 9,000                     |
| South Dakota .....              | 191                                     | 234,500                                | 17,000                    |
| Tennessee .....                 | 1,658                                   | 2,708,923                              | 143,133                   |
| Vermont .....                   | 133                                     | 143,500                                | 14,000                    |
| Wyoming .....                   | 134                                     | 174,753                                | 24,247                    |



## AMOUNT OF CLAIMS PAID

Our Insurance Department has paid to the dependents of our deceased brothers during the biennial term June 30th, 1918 to June 30th, 1920, the splendid sum of \$3,724,324.69, and since institution, our Insurance Department has paid to beneficiaries the sum of \$47,517,271.19.

## ASSETS OF DEPARTMENT

The Assets of the Insurance Department on June 30th, 1918 amounted to \$9,821,178.81, and on June 30th, 1920, the Assets amounted to \$11,462,369.56, an increase of \$1,641,190.75 during the biennial term.

## COMPARISON WITH COMMERCIAL COMPANIES

The Insurance Press for June states that the combined reports of sixty-one old line insurance companies in the United States show an increase in paid-for business for the month of April, 1920, of 33% over the same month of 1919. The same comparison made by our Insurance Department shows that our gain was 49%.

The same old line companies show a gain of 35% in the amount of insurance applied for during the first four months of 1920 over the same months of 1919. A like comparison shows that our gain was 65%.

Old line companies which combined wrote 83% of all old line insurance written during the year 1919, report an increase in the new insurance they wrote during the first four months of this year over the same months of last year of 38%. Our Insurance Department shows an increase during the same period of 66%.

The growth of new business of many old line companies is deceiving in a sense, because of the immense amount of group insurance that is being written and is included in the "volume written," as shown in the companies' reports and advertisements. One old line company recently wrote in a single group contract, insurance amounting to \$40,000,000. This class of insurance does not mean the same to an old line company that the same amount of insurance written on individual risks would mean, but it makes "volume."

## INSURANCE BY PLANS

The following table shows the distribution of our insurance among the Plans of the Fifth Class on June 30th, 1918, and June 30th, 1920.

| <i>Plans</i>        | <i>June 30, 1918</i> | <i>June 30, 1920</i> |
|---------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| "A" .....           | \$25,271,000         | \$31,974,500         |
| "B" .....           | 17,700,000           | 22,307,500           |
| "C" (Term Ins.).... | 2,094,000            | 1,869,500            |
| "D" (Term Ins.).... | 39,330,000           | 33,480,000           |
| "E-A" .....         | 1,824,000            | 4,529,000            |
| "E-B" .....         | 712,000              | 1,136,000            |
| "G-A" .....         | 370,000              | 976,500              |
| "G-B" .....         | 369,000              | 1,123,000            |

TOTAL INSURANCE IN FORCE JUNE 30, 1920

|                          |               |
|--------------------------|---------------|
| Fourth Class .....       | \$ 1,734,532  |
| Fifth Class .....        | 97,396,000    |
| Extended Insurance ..... | 6,100,000     |
| Paid-Up Insurance .....  | 461,483       |
|                          | <hr/>         |
|                          | \$105,692,015 |

DEATH LOSSES BY PLANS

Below is shown the amount of Death Claims paid from June 30th, 1918 to June 30th, 1920, according to Plans:

| <i>Plan</i>          | <i>Amount</i>  |
|----------------------|----------------|
| "A" .....            | \$1,486,146.10 |
| "B" .....            | 466,443.00     |
| "C" (Term Ins.)..... | 67,000.00      |
| "D" (Term Ins.)..... | 1,361,238.44   |
| "E-A" .....          | 24,944.15      |
| "E-B" .....          | 9,120.00       |
| "G-A" .....          | 13,000.00      |
| "G-B" .....          | 5,000.00       |
|                      | <hr/>          |
| TOTAL .....          | \$3,432,891.69 |

OUR RESERVE FUND

The fund which stands as a guarantee of our Certificate Contracts is continuing to increase each year, as the following table shows:

|                        |               |
|------------------------|---------------|
| Reserve Fund 1908..... | \$ 671,377.15 |
| Reserve Fund 1910..... | 2,219,042.23  |
| Reserve Fund 1912..... | 3,992,607.99  |
| Reserve Fund 1914..... | 5,797,887.73  |
| Reserve Fund 1916..... | 7,391,065.69  |
| Reserve Fund 1917..... | 8,183,346.87  |
| Reserve Fund 1918..... | 9,045,741.13  |
| Reserve Fund 1919..... | 9,995,717.56  |

This money has been invested by the Board of Control in accordance with Supreme Lodge Law.

#### LEDGER ASSETS BY YEARS

| <i>Year</i>        | <i>Amounts Assets</i> |
|--------------------|-----------------------|
| 1907 .....         | \$ 2,138,777.42       |
| 1908 .....         | 2,543,434.07          |
| 1909 .....         | 2,915,642.70          |
| 1910 .....         | 3,446,386.59          |
| 1911 .....         | 3,985,689.38          |
| 1912 .....         | 5,017,973.07          |
| 1913 .....         | 5,927,303.18          |
| 1914 .....         | 7,016,005.71          |
| 1915 .....         | 7,767,559.04          |
| 1916 .....         | 8,579,041.11          |
| 1917 .....         | 9,471,993.08          |
| 1918 .....         | 10,250,078.23         |
| 1919 .....         | 11,011,543.82         |
| June 30, 1920..... | 11,462,369.56         |

#### RESOURCES AND LIABILITIES

|                                                                                            |                 |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| The Ledger Assets of the Insurance Department on June 30, 1920, amounted to.....           | \$11,462,369.56 |
| The Ledger Assets on March 31st, 1920, were.....                                           | 11,211,846.18   |
| This is a net increase for the Second Quarter of this year of .....                        | 250,523.38      |
| The Ledger Assets on December 31, 1919, were.....                                          | 11,011,543.82   |
| The Increase during the first six months of 1920 being .....                               | 450,825.74      |
| On June 30, 1918, the beginning of the biennial term, the Ledger Assets were.....          | 9,821,178.81    |
| The increase of the Ledger Assets for the biennial term ending June 30th, 1920, being..... | 1,641,190.75    |

#### GROSS FIFTH CLASS MORTUARY FUND

|                                                                                        |                 |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| The gross Mortuary Fund of the Fifth Class on June 30th, 1920, was .....               | \$10,463,671.96 |
| On March 31st, 1920, this Fund amounted to.....                                        | 10,143,673.35   |
| This is a gross increase for the Quarter just passed of .....                          | 319,998.61      |
| The gross Mortuary Fund of the Fifth Class on December 31st, 1919, was.....            | 9,943,177.91    |
| The gross increase for the first six months of 1920 was .....                          | 520,494.05      |
| The gross Fifth Class Mortuary Fund on June 30, 1918, was .....                        | 8,636,680.34    |
| The gross increase in this Fund for the biennial term ending June 30th, 1920, was..... | 1,826,991.62    |

### NET FIFTH CLASS MORTUARY FUND

|                                                                               |                 |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| The net Mortuary Fund of the Fifth Class on June 30th, 1920, amounted to..... | \$10,508,881.82 |
| The amount of this Fund on March 31st, 1920, was..                            | 10,136,810.91   |
| This is a net increase for the Second Quarter of 1920 of .....                | 372,070.91      |
| The net Mortuary Fund of the Fifth Class on December 31st, 1919, was.....     | 9,946,599.45    |
| The net increase for the first six months of 1920, was                        | 562,282.37      |
| The net Fifth Class Mortuary Fund on June 30th, 1918, was .....               | 8,608,791.42    |
| This is a net increase for the biennial term ending June 30th, 1920, of.....  | 1,900,090.40    |

### GROSS FOURTH CLASS MORTUARY FUND

|                                                                              |              |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| The gross Mortuary Fund of the Fourth Class on June 30th, 1920, was .....    | \$604,718.39 |
| On March 31st, 1920, this Fund amounted to.....                              | 620,122.57   |
| This is a gross decrease for the Second Quarter of 1920 of .....             | 15,404.18    |
| The gross Fourth Class Mortuary Fund on December 31st, 1919, was .....       | 629,449.27   |
| The gross decrease for the first six months of 1920, was                     | 24,730.88    |
| On June 30th, 1918, this Fund amounted to.....                               | 637,184.58   |
| The gross decrease during the biennial term ending June 30, 1920, being..... | 32,466.19    |

### NET FOURTH CLASS MORTUARY FUND

|                                                                                    |              |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| The net Mortuary Fund of the Fourth Class on June 30, 1920, was .....              | \$676,573.02 |
| On March 31st, 1920, this Fund amounted to.....                                    | 674,324.01   |
| The net increase for the Second Quarter of 1920 was..                              | 2,249.01     |
| The net Fourth Class Mortuary Fund on December 31, 1919, was .....                 | 679,953.69   |
| The net decrease during the first six months of 1920 was .....                     | 3,380.67     |
| On June 30, 1918, the net Fourth Class Mortuary Fund was .....                     | 681,754.18   |
| The net decrease in this Fund for the biennial term ending June 30, 1920, was..... | 5,181.16     |

### GROSS EXPENSE FUND

|                                                                               |              |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| The gross Expense Fund of the Insurance Department on June 30, 1920, was..... | \$248,631.66 |
| On March 31st, 1920, this Fund amounted to.....                               | 307,324.56   |



|                                                                                                    |            |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|
| This was a gross decrease during the Second Quarter of 1920 of .....                               | 58,692.90  |
| On December 31st, 1919, the gross Expense Fund of the Insurance Department was .....               | 344,968.30 |
| There was a gross decrease in the Expense Fund for the first six months of 1920 of.....            | 96,336.64  |
| This Fund on June 30th, 1918, was.....                                                             | 483,144.14 |
| There was a gross decrease in the Expense Fund for the biennial term ending June 30, 1920, of..... | 234,512.48 |

#### NET EXPENSE FUND

|                                                                                |              |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| The net Expense Fund of the Insurance Department on June 30th, 1920, was.....  | \$222,141.35 |
| On March 31st, 1920, this Fund amounted to.....                                | 279,133.58   |
| This is a net decrease during the Second Quarter of 1920 of .....              | 56,992.23    |
| On December 31st, 1919, this Fund amounted to.....                             | 322,419.83   |
| There was a net decrease first six months 1920.....                            | 100,278.48   |
| On June 30, 1918, this Fund amounted to.....                                   | 463,637.96   |
| There was a net decrease during the biennial term ending June 30, 1920 of..... | 241,496.61   |

#### DISABILITY FUND

|                                                                              |            |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|
| The Disability Fund of the Fifth Class on June 30th, 1920, amounted to ..... | \$2,285.26 |
| The amount in this Fund on March 31st, 1920, was.....                        | 1,903.98   |
| The increase for the Second Quarter 1920 being.....                          | 381.28     |
| On December 31st, 1919, the Fifth Class Disability Fund amounted to .....    | 1,570.26   |
| Increase for the first six months 1920 being.....                            | 715.00     |
| On June 30th, 1918, this Fund amounted to.....                               | 360.13     |
| Increase for biennial term ending June 30, 1920.....                         | 1,925.13   |

#### DEATH CLAIMS

On June 30th, 1920, there were unpaid Death Claims on hand as follows:

|                                         |             |
|-----------------------------------------|-------------|
| Fourth Class 3 claims amounting to..... | \$ 5,000.00 |
| Fifth Class 61 claims amounting to..... | 136,046.36  |

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TOTAL 64 claims amounting to.....\$141,046.36

Of these claims there are two (2) in suit, amounting to..\$ 3,000.00  
Two (2) in correspondence, amounting to..... 3,000.00

|                                                       |           |
|-------------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| Sixty (60) in which proofs have not been completed,   |           |
| amounting to .....                                    | 80,200.00 |
| And a balance on Installment Claims under Plans "E-A" |           |
| and "E-B," amounting to .....                         | 54,846.36 |

## PUBLICITY

In our publicity work, we have endeavored at all times to place before the members of our Order and the general public, interesting facts pertaining to the Order, in such a manner as to benefit our Order as a whole, as well as our Insurance Department.

In this work the Insurance Department has the most valuable aid of the Keepers of Records and Seal of our subordinate lodges and the Secretaries of the Sections of our Insurance Department.

## A BROAD FIELD OF PUBLICITY

Our Insurance Department, during this biennial term, and particularly during the year 1919, and the first six months of 1920, has been able to obtain publicity for the Order and this Department in a large way, through a new plan.

Each month, the Home Office sends a "Pythian News Bulletin" to all Keepers of Records and Seal and all Section Secretaries, and through them we have secured the publication of the Pythian news contained in these bulletins in their local newspapers.

We furnish through these bulletins, up-to-date news regarding every department of our Order that is of interest to all Knights of Pythias and to the public, and are not attempting to make them merely advertisements for our Department.

By securing the publication of this news matter, the officer not only benefits the Order in general but his subordinate lodge in particular, through the publicity given the Order Knights of Pythias.

Newspapers in which the matter contained in the Pythian News Bulletins are printed are sent to the office of the Insurance Department, where they are read, measured, filed, and an accurate record kept. This record shows that during the past seven months, the newspapers of the country have given 2,315 inches of space to the publication of these bulletins. The combined circulation of these newspapers is 3,578,639. In addition, this matter was printed in the "patent inside" furnished to 358 western newspapers, with a circulation of 800,000 copies. The average charge made for display advertising per 1,000 of circulation is about four cents per inch, and "readers" are charged at double that rate.

This Pythian news matter is favorably received by many of the great city newspapers of the country as well as those printed in

the smaller cities and towns. In many instances the article is printed on the first page, and in all papers the articles are given large and attractive head lines. The broad scope of this publicity work will undoubtedly prove of much benefit to our Order and the Insurance Department.

### THE PYTHIAN PRESS

The editors and owners of those splendid papers whose columns are devoted to the interests of the Order Knights of Pythias have been a source of great strength in our publicity work. Not only have the display advertisements for which we pay them been well placed and properly set up, but those publishers have shown their personal interest in the welfare of our Order and the Insurance Department by the many splendid editorials published in their papers throughout the entire biennial term.

### THE INSURANCE DEPARTMENT NEWS

Our monthly publication, the "Insurance Department News," provides the medium through which our Insurance Department receives its most profitable publicity. This publication is devoted to the upbuilding of every Department of the Order Knights of Pythias, and especially to the Insurance Department.

In the work entailed in the publication of this paper, we are splendidly assisted through articles contributed for publication by officers and members of the Supreme Lodge, the Grand Lodge and the Subordinate Lodges in the Supreme Domain, and we desire to express our appreciation of the aid they have so kindly rendered us in the work of making our paper interesting to all Pythians, and of benefit to our Order.

During the biennial term from June 30th, 1918 to June 30th, 1920, we have published articles contributed from every Grand Domain in our Supreme Domain, the average number of contributed articles being twenty per month.

We have printed and distributed 2,400,000 copies of the Insurance Department News during this biennial term. These were mailed direct to the members of our Insurance Department, to the newly initiated members of subordinate lodges, and to thousands of members of our Order whose addresses we have in the Home Office. Also upon request of members of our Order we have mailed several thousand copies of the News to men who had been invited to become members of our Order.

During the World War, thousands of copies of the Insurance Department News were sent to members who were in the trenches and in all branches of service in Europe. At the request of one

Grand Domain we furnished one thousand copies of our paper per month during the War and those copies were mailed from the Grand Lodge office to the individual Knights of Pythias of that Grand Domain who were in service in Europe.

### CONCLUSION

At this, the time of closing the biennial report of the Insurance Department, the Board of Control and Officers of the Department can look back on the past two years of their labor, with a sense of satisfaction, realizing better than words can express, what the results shown in this report mean.

Notwithstanding the difficulties which were met during that period, the figures given in the report show that results were obtained which indicate that the Insurance Department of the Supreme Lodge of Knights of Pythias has not only taken a position high in the rank of fraternal insurance but that the interests of our Department are now in the hearts and minds of the members of our beloved Order.

I again express my thanks for the splendid assistance rendered me by the Board of Control, Supreme Lodge Officers, and members of the Order, in the work which I have had to do in connection with the Insurance Department during the past biennial term. As to the results of my work, they are the judges, and I hope that my efforts to promote the interests of the Insurance Department have met with the approval of all members of the Order Knights of Pythias.

Fraternally submitted,

*Harry Wade*

*President Insurance Department.*



# Report of General Secretary of the Insurance Department, Knights of Pythias

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*To the Board of Control, Insurance Department, Supreme Lodge  
Knights of Pythias:*

July 15, 1920.

BROTHERS—Complying with the Supreme Law, I hand you herewith for your information and consideration a report of the business of the office of General Secretary of the Insurance Department for the biennial term ending June 30, 1920.

The tables and exhibits are arranged as follows:

Statement of receipts for fiscal years ending June 30, 1919, 1920.

Interest receipts by years, 1907 to June 30, 1920.

Disbursements for fiscal years ending June 30, 1918 and 1920.

Management expenses by years, 1907 to June 30, 1920.

Ledger assets from December 31, 1907, to June 30, 1920.

Bonds owned June 30, 1920.

Resources and liabilities June 30, 1920.

Accounts with depositories June 30, 1920.

Membership and insurance in force from June 30, 1918, to June 30, 1920.

Statement of sections for fiscal years ending June 30, 1919, 1920.

General statistical statement by States and Territories for fiscal years ending June 30, 1919 and 1920.

General statistical exhibits 1885 to 1919, inclusive.

Statement of death claims adjusted and paid annually since organization of Insurance Department.

Comparative monthly table of applications for membership received January 1, 1907, to June 30, 1920.

Death losses incurred by months January 1, 1885 to June 30, 1920.

Death losses incurred by States January 1, 1885, to December 31, 1919.

Statement of membership and insurance in force by ages December 31, 1919.

Mortality account June 30, 1919, and June 30, 1920.

All warrants drawn exclusive of death benefits for fiscal year ending June 30, 1919.

All warrants drawn exclusive of death benefits for fiscal year ending June 30, 1920.

Fraternally submitted,



*General Secretary.*

# STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, FISCAL YEARS ENDING JUNE 30, 1919 AND 1920.

|                                           | Monthly Payments | Interest     | Investments  | Advance Payments | Miscellaneous | Total           |
|-------------------------------------------|------------------|--------------|--------------|------------------|---------------|-----------------|
| July, August and September, 1918.....     | 632,917 59       | 91,283 72    | 30,290 00    | .....            | 1,069 30      | 755,560 61      |
| October, November and December, 1918..... | 654,142 64       | 157,462 93   | 32,027 11    | .....            | 361 77        | 843,994 45      |
| January, February and March, 1919.....    | 598,421 85       | 94,939 05    | 25,533 33    | .....            | 493 46        | 756,407 79      |
| April, May and June, 1919.....            | 616,698 43       | 167,323 12   | 137,390 82   | 37,020 10        | 14 19         | 921,426 56      |
| Totals.....                               | \$ 2,502,180 51  | \$511,008 82 | \$225,241 26 | \$37,020 10      | \$1,938 72    | \$ 3,277,389 41 |
| July, August and September, 1919.....     | 641,987 72       | 94,985 65    | 269,189 85   | .....            | 11 25         | 1,006,174 47    |
| October, November and December, 1919..... | 677,609 38       | 173,269 64   | 136,432 73   | 66 27            | 11 82         | 987,409 84      |
| January, February and March, 1920.....    | 646,686 39       | 109,374 41   | 60,153 33    | 46,443 64        | 15 75         | 862,673 52      |
| April, May and June, 1920.....            | 656,353 32       | 180,432 19   | 101,092 67   | 4,240 57         | 14 31         | 942,133 06      |
| Totals.....                               | \$2,622,636 81   | \$558,061 89 | \$566,888 58 | \$50,750 48      | \$53 13       | \$3,798,390 89  |

## NET INTEREST RECEIPTS 1907, 1908, 1909, 1910, 1911, 1912, 1913, 1914, 1915, 1916, 1917, 1918, 1919, JUNE, 30, 1920.

|                                    | 1907         | 1908         | 1909         | 1910         | 1911         | 1912         | 1913          |
|------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|
| Interest on Mortgage Loans.....    | 10,384 43    | 10,261 84    | 9,349 34     | 9,223 68     | 8,680 39     | 10,256 39    | 9,075 64      |
| Interest on Bonds.....             | 61,581 52    | 79,944 12    | 103,637 90   | 129,108 56   | 147,523 44   | 189,198 08   | 240,880 15    |
| Interest on Bank Balances.....     | 3,477 98     | 3,517 24     | 2,261 02     | 2,444 65     | 2,520 55     | 1,971 73     | 2,010 01      |
| Interest on Certificate Loans..... | .....        | .....        | .....        | .....        | 28 59        | 229 92       | 505 56        |
| Interest on Certificate Liens..... | .....        | .....        | .....        | 63 78        | .....        | .....        | 31 08         |
| Interest on Miscellaneous.....     | .....        | 450          | 850          | 525          | 175 00       | .....        | .....         |
| Rent Received.....                 | .....        | .....        | .....        | .....        | .....        | .....        | .....         |
| Total.....                         | 75,443 93    | 94,173 20    | 116,098 26   | 141,365 67   | 158,927 97   | 201,656 12   | 252,502 44    |
| 1914.....                          | .....        | 1915         | 1916         | 1917         | 1918         | 1919         | June 30, 1920 |
| Interest on Mortgage Loans.....    | 8,762 17     | 7,719 96     | 7,359 96     | 6,999 97     | 6,999 97     | 6,999 96     | 3,499 98      |
| Interest on Bonds.....             | 290,973 31   | 346,079 45   | 387,195 50   | 431,264 27   | 481,000 89   | 489,972 34   | 280,957 01    |
| Interest on Bank Balances.....     | 2,006 30     | 1,623 25     | 1,876 49     | 1,784 34     | 2,354 34     | 2,549 98     | 1,065 54      |
| Interest on Certificate Loans..... | 1,366 33     | 2,184 74     | 2,568 73     | 4,076 04     | 5,191 01     | 5,851 28     | 3,460 03      |
| Interest on Certificate Liens..... | .....        | .....        | .....        | 271 11       | 2,219 92     | 6,104 37     | 824 02        |
| Interest on Miscellaneous.....     | 17 42        | 19 72        | .....        | .....        | 63 49        | 53 92        | .....         |
| Rent Received.....                 | .....        | .....        | .....        | .....        | .....        | .....        | .....         |
| Total.....                         | \$303,125 53 | \$357,627 12 | \$399,000 68 | \$444,395 73 | \$497,829 62 | \$511,591 85 | \$289,806 60  |

# STATEMENT OF DISBURSEMENTS FOR FISCAL YEARS, ENDING JUNE 30, 1919 AND 1920.

|                                                    | July, Aug.<br>and<br>Sept., 1918 | Oct., Nov.<br>and<br>Dec., 1918 | Jan., Feb.<br>and<br>Mar., 1919 | April, May<br>and<br>June, 1919 | July, Aug.<br>and<br>Sept., 1919 | Oct., Nov.<br>and<br>Dec., 1919 | Jan., Feb.<br>and<br>Mar., 1920 | April, May<br>and<br>June, 1920 |
|----------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Death Claims.....                                  | \$328,037 00                     | \$592,585 00                    | \$845,090 10                    | \$497,470 15                    | \$322,524 44                     | \$416,891 00                    | \$476,963 00                    | \$444,164 00                    |
| Refunds to Members.....                            | 259 06                           | 385 64                          | 1,171 43                        | 831 26                          | 1,097 89                         | 987 39                          | 1,300 03                        | 1,010 95                        |
| Salaries of Officers and Employes.....             | 14,864 40                        | 14,715 30                       | 15,208 80                       | 14,894 63                       | 15,592 45                        | 16,320 10                       | 17,400 35                       | 18,215 10                       |
| Superintendents.....                               | 20,386 20                        | 16,169 33                       | 20,851 75                       | 28,229 55                       | 31,212 93                        | 35,826 58                       | 38,155 54                       | 50,224 30                       |
| Mileage and Per Diem Board of Control.....         | 1,188 00                         | 1,342 20                        | 2,433 30                        | 2,558 40                        | 2,303 35                         | 1,709 73                        | 3,353 70                        | 1,696 15                        |
| Medical Examiners' Fees.....                       | 2,060 00                         | 1,435 00                        | 3,147 00                        | 3,871 00                        | 3,777 00                         | 4,335 00                        | 4,596 00                        | 5,865 00                        |
| Traveling Expenses.....                            | 6,333 83                         | 801 67                          | 7,733 88                        | 655 22                          | 1,359 04                         | 614 92                          | 1,189 53                        | 1,180 01                        |
| Commission to Secretaries.....                     | 27,789 78                        | 28,040 14                       | 29,399 29                       | 28,054 58                       | 27,555 59                        | 28,375 70                       | 31,739 88                       | 31,224 58                       |
| Advertising, Printing, and Stationery.....         | 2,990 16                         | 5,708 00                        | 5,398 79                        | 9,336 42                        | 3,837 80                         | 5,146 06                        | 3,949 40                        | 7,532 93                        |
| Postage, Express, Telegram and Telephone.....      | 3,508 12                         | 3,162 55                        | 3,243 32                        | 3,437 70                        | 2,135 60                         | 2,261 47                        | 1,903 36                        | 2,997 74                        |
| K. of T., Insurance Dept. News.....                | 7,144 30                         | 8,642 09                        | 5,249 48                        | 7,749 10                        | 7,525 13                         | 9,961 11                        | 6,627 72                        | 9,923 34                        |
| Legal Expenses.....                                | 1,136 75                         | 266 00                          | 1,205 85                        | 289 25                          | 909 00                           | 225 00                          | 180 95                          | 318 34                          |
| Furniture and Fixtures.....                        | 1,093 74                         | 137 03                          | 801 03                          | 57 50                           | 15 00                            | 15 75                           | 320 30                          | 879 83                          |
| Premium on Fidelity Bonds.....                     | 32 50                            | 37 50                           | 151 50                          | 2,093 86                        | 134 33                           | 1 87                            | 115 66                          | 2,412 57                        |
| State Insurance Department Fees.....               | 33 00                            | 200 00                          | 1,071 00                        | 109 00                          | 30 00                            | 1 00                            | 924 00                          | 138 00                          |
| Rent.....                                          | 1,550 49                         | 1,550 49                        | 1,550 49                        | 1,550 49                        | 1,550 49                         | 1,550 49                        | 1,550 49                        | 1,550 83                        |
| Interest on Resisted Claims.....                   | 114 37                           | 1,361 58                        | 3,934 96                        | 2,117 32                        | 1,902 69                         | 2,004 33                        | 5,799 30                        | 3,317 66                        |
| Discount on Advance Payments.....                  | 1,456 03                         | 250 00                          | 1,230 41                        | .....                           | .....                            | .....                           | 1,000 00                        | .....                           |
| Actuarial Expenses.....                            | .....                            | .....                           | .....                           | .....                           | .....                            | .....                           | 1,377 48                        | .....                           |
| Audit Expenses.....                                | 115 00                           | .....                           | .....                           | .....                           | .....                            | .....                           | 281 34                          | .....                           |
| Miscellaneous Expenses.....                        | 152 71                           | 322 90                          | 357 45                          | 81 73                           | 226 75                           | 373 82                          | 130 00                          | .....                           |
| Rent on Tabulating Machine.....                    | 130 00                           | 260 00                          | 130 00                          | 260 00                          | 130 00                           | 260 00                          | 130 00                          | 195 00                          |
| Bonus to Secretaries Account Advance Payments..... | .....                            | .....                           | 120 00                          | .....                           | .....                            | .....                           | .....                           | .....                           |
| Office Improvements.....                           | .....                            | .....                           | .....                           | 519 38                          | .....                            | .....                           | .....                           | 1,788 95                        |
| Expense Supreme Lodge Meeting.....                 | .....                            | .....                           | .....                           | .....                           | .....                            | .....                           | 397 17                          | 26 25                           |
| Investment Expenses.....                           | .....                            | .....                           | .....                           | .....                           | 47 95                            | 29 08                           | 429 74                          | 1 10                            |
| Insurance and Exchange on Bonds.....               | .....                            | .....                           | .....                           | .....                           | .....                            | 700 00                          | .....                           | .....                           |
| Investigation Expenses.....                        | .....                            | .....                           | .....                           | .....                           | .....                            | .....                           | .....                           | .....                           |
| Total.....                                         | \$413,675 44                     | \$677,423 02                    | \$742,479 83                    | \$601,166 54                    | \$423,567 43                     | \$528,590 48                    | \$598,714 94                    | \$584,902 44                    |
| Investments Including Interest.....                | 292,968 63                       | 88,303 67                       | 129,919 01                      | 252,529 93                      | 634,454 26                       | 458,438 78                      | 312,513 92                      | 274,630 91                      |
| Protected Checks.....                              | 1,045 41                         | 445 33                          | 251 65                          | 722 85                          | 1,800 18                         | .....                           | .....                           | .....                           |
| Advance Payments Applied.....                      | 1,656 87                         | 4,338 01                        | .....                           | .....                           | .....                            | .....                           | .....                           | .....                           |
|                                                    | \$709,346 35                     | \$770,510 03                    | \$872,650 49                    | \$854,419 32                    | \$1,059,821 87                   | \$987,029 26                    | \$911,228 86                    | \$859,533 35                    |

# COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF MANAGEMENT EXPENSES, 1907 TO JUNE 30, 1920.

|                                                | 1907         | 1908         | 1909         | 1910         | 1911         | 1912         | 1913         |
|------------------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Commission to Superintendents.....             | 192,729 76   | 174,176 84   | 149,010 25   | 117,335 80   | 202,554 95   | 85,619 34    | 76,843 10    |
| Commission to Secretaries.....                 | 115,150 55   | 126,586 15   | 126,564 91   | 128,878 15   | 120,780 70   | 130,416 13   | 123,319 46   |
| Officers Salaries.....                         | 24,706 53    | 22,784 47    | 18,616 70    | 15,212 50    | 14,825 00    | 15,400 00    | 15,600 00    |
| Employees Salaries.....                        | 50,591 60    | 55,704 59    | 46,714 05    | 42,579 83    | 40,240 05    | 38,042 35    | 41,051 00    |
| Superintendents' Salaries.....                 | .....        | 1,350 00     | 6,128 00     | 2,401 50     | 4,414 97     | 711 66       | 5,745 17     |
| Medical Examiners' Fees.....                   | 21,539 03    | 14,606 25    | 13,317 00    | 15,206 00    | 13,617 00    | 12,015 00    | 12,482 50    |
| Traveling Expenses.....                        | 10,775 81    | 7,067 13     | 13,498 97    | 14,713 14    | 16,540 64    | 12,706 27    | 14,250 85    |
| State Insurance Department Fees.....           | 1,033 00     | 820 30       | 730 25       | 775 00       | 794 67       | 936 00       | 1,150 40     |
| Rent.....                                      | 5,410 82     | 6,163 25     | 6,090 00     | 5,356 64     | 4,989 96     | 4,989 96     | 4,789 96     |
| Advertising Printing and Stationery.....       | 24,628 37    | 9,897 57     | 13,401 99    | 16,269 44    | 12,803 25    | 13,461 01    | 15,628 78    |
| Postage, Express, Telegraph and Telephone..... | 10,914 18    | 11,038 28    | 11,190 75    | 10,138 27    | 11,429 55    | 7,853 19     | 9,858 20     |
| Buttons, Emblems, etc.....                     | 1,084 12     | 903 28       | 1,261 47     | .....        | .....        | .....        | .....        |
| Official Publication.....                      | 6,029 49     | 3,637 95     | 4,852 32     | 5,597 41     | 5,439 75     | 6,087 15     | 5,933 02     |
| Legal Expenses.....                            | 9,026 41     | 4,160 57     | 5,648 30     | 6,506 34     | 10,438 89    | 14,383 45    | 29,235 90    |
| Furniture and Fixtures.....                    | 2,580 12     | 1,575 88     | 1,557 84     | 2,462 73     | 1,766 59     | 724 08       | 941 65       |
| Taxes and Expenses on Real Estate.....         | 690 57       | 1,509 52     | 2,173 56     | 1,979 61     | 871 23       | 57 00        | 42 74        |
| Premium on Fidelity Bonds.....                 | 2,319 06     | 2,735 37     | 2,645 82     | 2,640 59     | 3,019 79     | 2,830 44     | 2,911 35     |
| Actuarial Expenses.....                        | 2,090 95     | 1,737 25     | 2,388 42     | 5,512 00     | 3,309 45     | 2,319 80     | 1,644 32     |
| Exchange.....                                  | 765 45       | 710 49       | 871 05       | 253 70       | .....        | .....        | .....        |
| Expense Supreme Lodge.....                     | 385 23       | .....        | 797 85       | .....        | 781 57       | .....        | 366 60       |
| Miscellaneous Expense.....                     | 3,100 69     | 2,708 31     | 1,900 24     | 1,239 01     | 763 89       | 835 11       | 1,213 27     |
| Discount on Advance Payments.....              | .....        | 19 14        | 276 08       | 705 31       | 1,301 48     | 1,681 65     | 2,139 71     |
| Examination and Auditing Expenses.....         | .....        | 11,049 50    | 9,122 20     | .....        | 400 00       | 441 90       | 1,200 00     |
| Rent on Tabulating Machine.....                | .....        | .....        | .....        | .....        | .....        | .....        | .....        |
| Interest on Resisted Claims.....               | .....        | .....        | .....        | .....        | .....        | .....        | .....        |
| Investment Expense.....                        | .....        | .....        | .....        | .....        | .....        | .....        | .....        |
| Insurance and Exchange on Bond Coupons.....    | .....        | .....        | .....        | .....        | .....        | .....        | .....        |
| Office Improvements.....                       | .....        | .....        | .....        | .....        | .....        | .....        | .....        |
| Bonus for Advance Payments.....                | .....        | .....        | .....        | .....        | .....        | .....        | .....        |
| Investigation Expenses.....                    | .....        | .....        | .....        | .....        | .....        | .....        | .....        |
| Total.....                                     | \$485,551 54 | \$461,032 09 | \$438,766 32 | \$395,762 97 | \$471,095 44 | \$351,512 69 | \$366,398 58 |



**COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF MANAGEMENT EXPENSES, 1907 TO JUNE 30, 1920—Continued.**

|                                                  | 1914                | 1915                | 1916                | 1917                | 1918                | 1919                | June 30, 1920       |
|--------------------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Commission to Superintendents.....               | \$65,644 16         | \$48,950 70         | \$66,414 25         | \$78,040 22         | \$76,737 86         | \$125,200 19        | \$87,282 50         |
| Commission to Secretaries.....                   | 120,247 52          | 117,571 61          | 111,574 36          | 111,592 50          | 112,581 61          | 113,385 22          | 63,014 46           |
| Officers' Salaries.....                          | 15,600 00           | 15,617 18           | 17,574 50           | 17,015 85           | 16,999 20           | 17,334 65           | 9,149 90            |
| Employees' Salaries.....                         | 36,420 65           | 33,945 20           | 36,800 10           | 39,828 70           | 43,113 55           | 44,681 33           | 26,465 55           |
| Superintendents' Salaries.....                   | 4,246 93            | 1,104 92            | 5,219 50            | 5,381 99            | 3,985 32            | 3,665 90            | 1,165 00            |
| Medical Examiners' Fees.....                     | 11,048 00           | 8,353 50            | 11,086 50           | 10,542 00           | 8,471 00            | 15,130 00           | 10,461 00           |
| Traveling Expenses.....                          | 13,234 61           | 11,604 18           | 17,087 15           | 18,542 80           | 14,531 33           | 13,929 24           | 8,089 54            |
| State Insurance Department Fees.....             | 1,381 00            | 1,943 00            | 1,205 00            | 859 72              | 1,135 00            | 1,211 00            | 1,062 00            |
| Rent.....                                        | 4,749 96            | 4,749 96            | 4,749 96            | 6,080 96            | 6,201 96            | 6,201 96            | 3,101 32            |
| Advertising, Printing and Stationery.....        | 17,356 59           | 12,781 78           | 18,042 33           | 19,814 11           | 17,571 75           | 19,919 34           | 10,952 68           |
| Postage, Express, Telegraph and Telephone.....   | 10,174 27           | 8,530 41            | 10,748 82           | 10,648 14           | 15,789 18           | 11,093 69           | 4,894 76            |
| Buttons, Emblems, etc.....                       | 6,525 30            | 4,295 13            | 21,913 18           | 27,896 07           | 29,165 06           | 30,484 82           | 16,551 06           |
| Official Publication.....                        | 13,433 12           | 10,246 50           | 3,363 71            | 7,220 86            | 1,021 26            | 2,629 10            | 499 29              |
| Furniture and Fixtures.....                      | 1,074 35            | 1,966 70            | 3,202 86            | 3,202 91            | 1,425 26            | 889 28              | 1,200 13            |
| Taxes and Expenses on Real Estate.....           | 54 48               |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |
| Premium on Fidelity Bonds.....                   | 2,497 84            | 2,479 24            | 2,425 57            | 2,379 13            | 2,250 47            | 2,381 56            | 2,528 23            |
| Actuarial Expenses.....                          | 1,260 80            | 2,255 35            | 2,402 75            | 2,486 85            | 1,412 39            | 1,230 41            | 1,000 00            |
| Exchange.....                                    |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |
| Expense Supreme Lodge.....                       |                     | 480 35              |                     | 486 39              |                     | 519 38              |                     |
| Miscellaneous Expense.....                       | 730 66              | 687 60              | 1,060 72            | 1,165 37            | 765 30              | 1,039 75            | 521 15              |
| Discount on Advance Payments.....                | 2,603 54            | 2,744 67            | 3,853 12            | 5,157 38            | 6,780 62            | 9,959 30            | 9,116 96            |
| Examination and Auditing Expenses.....           | 230 00              |                     | 1,072 50            |                     | 1,635 00            | 1,000 00            | 1,377 48            |
| Rent on Tabulating Machine.....                  |                     |                     |                     | 693 00              | 845 00              | 780 00              | 325 00              |
| Interest on Resisted Claims.....                 | 2,125 66            | 2,063 91            |                     | 831 45              | 114 37              |                     |                     |
| Investment Expense.....                          |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     | 423 42              |
| Insurance and Exchange on Bonds and Coupons..... |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     | 614 19              | 430 84              |
| Office Improvements.....                         |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     | 120 00              | 1,788 95            |
| Bonus for Advance Payments.....                  |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     | 700 00              |                     |
| Investigation Expenses.....                      |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |
| <b>Totals.....</b>                               | <b>\$330,679 44</b> | <b>\$291,391 89</b> | <b>\$339,796 88</b> | <b>\$369,866 40</b> | <b>\$363,132 49</b> | <b>\$420,800 31</b> | <b>\$261,401 22</b> |

# COMPARATIVE STATEMENTS LEDGER ASSETS, 1907 TO JUNE 30, 1920

|                                   | 1907         | 1908         | 1909         | 1910          | 1911         | 1912         | 1913         |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Cash.....                         | \$ 75,523 05 | \$ 82,012 93 | \$ 75,781 52 | \$ 125,843 88 | \$ 26,431 07 | \$ 21,820 28 | \$ 26,355 57 |
| Bonds, Par.....                   | 1,617,083 34 | 2,037,849 96 | 2,436,933 63 | 2,923,835 80  | 3,531,272 97 | 4,508,372 59 | 5,380,216 43 |
| Bonds, Premium.....               | 44,979 20    | 54,011 50    | 69,744 04    | 81,151 38     | 87,977 26    | 113,805 33   | 104,575 74   |
| Real Estate.....                  | 34,300 00    | 54,300 00    | 55,000 00    | 34,000 00     | 1,500 00     | 1,500 00     | 1,500 00     |
| Mortgage Loans.....               | 285,000 00   | 264,500 00   | 249,500 00   | 248,500 00    | 263,500 00   | 239,500 00   | 229,500 00   |
| Parker Judgement.....             | 17,401 89    |              |              |               |              |              |              |
| Supreme Lodge.....                | 446 25       |              |              |               |              |              |              |
| Tenders Outstanding.....          | 113 06       | 1,048 89     | 1,048 89     |               |              | 355 15       | 288 24       |
| Superintendents' Balances.....    |              | 49,380 79    | 27,028 62    | 31,976 73     | 2,799 88     | 110 32       |              |
| Certificate Loans, 4th Class..... | 55,049 07    |              |              |               | 66,367 95    | 120,776 05   | 166,784 30   |
| Certificate Loans, 5th Class..... |              |              |              |               | 5,840 25     | 11,733 35    | 18,082 90    |
| Certificate Liens, 5th Class..... |              |              |              |               |              |              |              |
| Total.....                        | 2,129,895 86 | 2,543,434 07 | 2,915,642 70 | 3,446,386 59  | 3,985,689 38 | 5,017,973 07 | 5,927,303 18 |

|                                   | 1914           | 1915           | 1916           | 1917           | 1918          | 1919            | June 30, 1920.  |
|-----------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Cash.....                         | 10,228 64      | 11,257 04      | 12,058 31      | 125,505 04     | 159,135 04    | 56,634 71       | 90,679 08       |
| Bonds, Par.....                   | 6,347,423 60   | 7,197,369 77   | 7,940,531 17   | 8,654,550 67   | 9,298,159 95  | 10,043,721 55   | 10,433,815 31   |
| Bonds, Premium.....               | 91,080 40      | 91,398 32      | 123,040 99     | 133,346 09     | 123,759 22    | 143,461 98      | 136,350 75      |
| Real Estate.....                  |                |                |                |                |               |                 |                 |
| Mortgage Loans.....               | 212,000 00     | 206,000 00     | 200,000 00     | 200,000 00     | 200,000 00    | 200,000 00      | 200,000 00      |
| Parker Judgement.....             |                |                |                |                |               |                 |                 |
| Supreme Lodge.....                |                |                |                |                |               |                 |                 |
| Tenders Outstanding.....          | 17 11          | 326 21         | 118 79         |                |               |                 |                 |
| Superintendents' Balances.....    |                |                | 5,613 95       | 6,538 68       | 2,915 62      | 2,249 59        | 1,042 77        |
| Certificate Loans, 4th Class..... | 198,481 55     | 223,967 50     | 243,907 15     | 260,738 55     | 268,922 95    | 276,090 40      | 277,919 95      |
| Certificate Loans, 5th Class..... | 25,563 45      | 37,240 20      | 53,770 75      | 73,119 25      | 102,021 10    | 135,038 55      | 132,673 30      |
| Certificate Liens, 5th Class..... |                |                |                | 18,124 80      | 95,164 35     | 154,347 04      | 169,888 40      |
| Total.....                        | \$6,884,794 75 | \$7,767,559 04 | \$8,579,041 11 | \$9,471,993 08 | 10,250,078 23 | \$11,011,543 82 | \$11,462,369 56 |

# STATEMENT OF RESOURCES AND LIABILITIES ,JUNE 30th, 1920.

## Ledger Assets—

### Cash in Banks:

|                                |             |
|--------------------------------|-------------|
| Indiana Nat'l. Bk. Indpls..... | \$87,414 77 |
| National City Bk. Indpls....   | 766 64      |
| Royal Bk. of Can. St. Thomas.  | 1,297 67    |

\$ 89,479 08

|                                   |               |
|-----------------------------------|---------------|
| Cash in Office.....               | 1,200 00      |
| Par Value of Bonds.....           | 10,433,815 31 |
| Book Value of Bonds over Par..... | 136,350 75    |

### Mortgage Loans:

|                                  |            |
|----------------------------------|------------|
| Interstate Hotel Co.....         | 200,000 00 |
| Certificate Loans—4th Class..... | 277,919 95 |
| Certificate Loans—5th Class..... | 152,673 30 |
| Certificate Liens—5th Class..... | 169,888 40 |
| Superintendent's Balances.....   | 1,042 77   |

## Ledger Liabilities.:

|                                 |               |
|---------------------------------|---------------|
| Advance Payments.....           | \$ 143,062 29 |
| Fourth Class Mortuary Fund..... | 604,718 39    |
| Fifth Class Mortuary Fund.....  | 10,463,671 96 |
| Expense Fund—Ins. Dept. ....    | 248,631 66    |
| Disability Fund.....            | 2,285 26      |

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## Ledger Assets..... \$11,462,369 56

### Non-Ledger Assets.....

|                                         |            |
|-----------------------------------------|------------|
| Postage.....                            | 522 42     |
| Furniture and Fixtures.....             | 4,687 53   |
| Due from Section Secretaries.....       | 63,642 57  |
| Interest accrued not yet due.....       | 118,623 57 |
| Interest accrued on Certificate Loans.. | 93,585 24  |

## Ledger Liabilities.....

143,062 29

### Non-Ledger Liabilities:

|                                                                                       |               |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| Reserve released % transferred Certificates.....                                      | \$ 13,454 59  |
| All Claims Unpaid at Face of Certificate for which notice of death has been Received. |               |
| Claims Resisted (2).....                                                              | 3,000 00      |
| No Proofs (62).....                                                                   | 83,200 00     |
| Balance on Installment Certificates....                                               | 54,846 36     |
| Commission Due Secretaries.....                                                       | 31,756 81     |
| All Other Liabilities.....                                                            | 4,229 44      |
| Net Resources.....                                                                    | 11,409,881 45 |

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## Net Resources..... \$11,409,881 45

|                                     |               |
|-------------------------------------|---------------|
| Net Fourth Class Mortuary Fund..... | 676,573 02    |
| Net Fifth Class Mortuary Fund.....  | 10,508,881 82 |
| Net Expense Fund—Ins. Dept. ....    | 222,141 35    |
| Net Disability Fund.....            | 2,285 26      |

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# CERTIFICATES AS TO AMOUNTS ON DEPOSIT IN BANKS.

June 30, 1920.

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## THE INDIANA NATIONAL BANK, INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA.

This is to certify that your balance at the close of business June 30, 1920 is \$242,978.48.

G. F. PATTERSON,  
Cashier.

|                                                   |              |
|---------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Balance as per above statement.....               | \$242,978.48 |
| Outstanding checks not presented for payment..... | 155,563.71   |
| <hr/>                                             |              |
| Our balance as shown under ledger assets.....     | \$ 87,414.77 |

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## NATIONAL CITY BANK, INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA.

This is to certify that there was on deposit in this bank to the credit of the Supreme Lodge, Knights of Pythias, Insurance Department, on June 30, 1920, the sum of \$9,984.41.

JOSEPHINE M. HENLEY,  
Assistant Cashier.

|                                                   |            |
|---------------------------------------------------|------------|
| Balance as per above statement.....               | \$9,984.41 |
| Outstanding checks not presented for payment..... | 9,217.77   |
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| Our Balance as shown under ledger assets.....     | \$ 766.64  |

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## THE ROYAL BANK OF CANADA, ST. THOMAS, ONTARIO.

This is to certify that the balance standing to the credit of the Supreme Lodge, Knights of Pythias, Insurance Department at this branch at the close of business, June 30, 1920, amounted to \$2,307.63.

J. A. ELLIOTT,  
Manager.

|                                                   |            |
|---------------------------------------------------|------------|
| Balance as per above statement.....               | \$2,307.63 |
| Outstanding checks not presented for payment..... | 1,009.96   |
| <hr/>                                             |            |
| Our balance as shown under ledger assets.....     | \$1,297.67 |



**STATEMENT OF MEMBERSHIP AND INSURANCE**  
**From June 30, 1918, TO June 30, 1920.**

|                                                | 4th CLASS |           | 5th CLASS |                | EXTENDED |                | PAID-UP |            | Total  |                  |
|------------------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------------|----------|----------------|---------|------------|--------|------------------|
|                                                | NO.       | AMOUNT    | NO.       | AMOUNT         | NO.      | AMOUNT         | NO.     | AMOUNT     | NO.    | AMOUNT           |
| In force June 30, 1918....                     | 1,177     | 2,060,253 | 64,798    | 87,670,500 00  | 5,359    | \$6,787,500 00 | 1,560   | 384,737 00 | 72,894 | 96,902,990 00    |
| New issued during period....                   |           |           | 13,672    | 19,875,000 00  |          |                |         |            | 13,672 | 19,875,000 00    |
| Transferred from Con-<br>tributing Account.... |           |           |           |                | 1,546    | 1,804,500 00   | 202     | 293,500 00 | 1,748  | 2,098,000 00     |
| Transferred from Ex-<br>tended.....            |           |           |           |                |          |                | 35      | 54,500 00  | 35     | 54,500 00        |
| Transferred from 4th<br>Class.....             |           |           | 3         | 4,500 00       |          |                |         |            | 3      | 4,500 00         |
| Total.....                                     | 1,177     | 2,060,253 | 78,473    | 107,550,000 00 | 6,905    | 8,592,000 00   | 1,797   | 732,737 00 | 88,352 | 118,934,990 00   |
| Deaths during period....                       | 148       | 285,654   | 2,222     | 3,280,022 07   | 101      | 135,212 00     | 49      | 12,464 00  | 2,520  | 3,713,352 07     |
| Forfeited during period....                    | 19        | 34,067    | 3,230     | 4,567,000 00   |          |                |         |            | 3,249  | 4,601,067 00     |
| Transferred to Extended<br>during period.....  |           |           | 1,546     | 1,804,500 00   |          |                |         |            | 1,546  | 1,804,500 00     |
| Transferred to Paid-Up<br>during period.....   |           |           | 202       | 293,500 00     | 35       | 54,500 00      |         |            | 237    | 348,000 00       |
| Transferred to 5th Class<br>during period..... | 3         | 4,500     |           |                |          |                |         |            | 3      | 4,500 00         |
| Expired during period....                      | 2         | 1,500     |           |                | 1,770    | 2,302,000 00   | 15      | 1,801,00   | 1,787  | 2,305,301 00     |
| Decreased during period                        |           |           |           | 208,977 93     |          | 288 00         |         | 256,989 00 |        | 466,254 93       |
| Total.....                                     | 172       | 325,721   | 7,200     | 10,154,000 00  | 1,906    | 2,492,000 00   | 64      | 271,254 00 | 9,342  | 13,242,975 00    |
| Total in force June 30,<br>1920.....           | 1,005     | 1,734,532 | 71,273    | 97,396,000 00  | 4,999    | 6,100,000 00   | 1,733   | 461,483 00 | 79,010 | \$105,692,015 00 |

## STATEMENT OF SECTIONS

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### For Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1919.

|                                                                      |             |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| Sections in operation June 30, 1918 .....                            | 4163        |
| Sections organized during the year .....                             | 30          |
| Sections reinstated and reorganized .....                            | 38          |
| Total .....                                                          | <u>4231</u> |
| Sections suspended for non-payment and transferred to other Sections | 15          |
| Sections in operation June 30, 1919 .....                            | <u>4216</u> |

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### For Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1920.

|                                                                      |             |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| Sections in operation June 30, 1919 .....                            | 4216        |
| Sections organized during the year .....                             | 54          |
| Sections reinstated and reorganized .....                            | 62          |
| Total .....                                                          | <u>4332</u> |
| Sections suspended for non-payment and transferred to other Sections | 83          |
| Sections in operation June 30, 1920 .....                            | <u>4249</u> |

# GENERAL STATISTICAL STATEMENT, JUNE 30, 1919.

| STATES AND TERRITORIES | Sections in Active Operation | No. of Members | Protection in Force | No. of Claims Adjusted Since Organization | Death Benefits Paid by Insurance Department | Death Rate per 1,000 Members Year Ending June 30, 1919 |
|------------------------|------------------------------|----------------|---------------------|-------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|
| Alabama.....           | 124                          | 2,734          | \$3,943,222         | 1,190                                     | \$2,567,408 10                              | 17.18                                                  |
| Alaska.....            | 1                            | 3              | 6,000               |                                           |                                             |                                                        |
| Alberta.....           | 2                            | 22             | 21,775              | 1                                         | 1,000 00                                    |                                                        |
| Arizona.....           | 18                           | 267            | 424,454             | 52                                        | 101,480 00                                  | 11.15                                                  |
| Arkansas.....          | 96                           | 1,661          | 2,844,267           | 767                                       | 1,683,241 61                                | 21.60                                                  |
| British Columbia.....  | 10                           | 151            | 173,590             | 32                                        | 46,796 00                                   | 38.71                                                  |
| California.....        | 158                          | 2,440          | 3,397,824           | 755                                       | 1,389,802 42                                | 19.42                                                  |
| Colorado.....          | 62                           | 903            | 1,101,546           | 264                                       | 415,551 00                                  | 30.17                                                  |
| Connecticut.....       | 47                           | 575            | 672,527             | 493                                       | 818,653 76                                  | 26.08                                                  |
| Delaware.....          | 9                            | 145            | 146,615             | 16                                        | 22,500 00                                   | 6.85                                                   |
| Dist. of Columbia..... | 11                           | 276            | 351,180             | 315                                       | 492,636 35                                  | 10.87                                                  |
| Florida.....           | 70                           | 1,577          | 2,159,963           | 298                                       | 521,322 61                                  | 17.76                                                  |
| Georgia.....           | 114                          | 2,509          | 3,940,995           | 751                                       | 1,569,401 07                                | 19.95                                                  |
| Hawaiian Islands.....  | 1                            | 40             | 82,000              | 15                                        | 29,951 00                                   | 49.38                                                  |
| Idaho.....             | 16                           | 137            | 210,523             | 37                                        | 47,693 00                                   | 21.20                                                  |
| Illinois.....          | 287                          | 5,000          | 5,774,102           | 1,829                                     | 2,695,785 42                                | 22.39                                                  |
| Indiana.....           | 289                          | 4,287          | 4,431,018           | 836                                       | 1,147,463 84                                | 13.54                                                  |
| Iowa.....              | 67                           | 482            | 629,574             | 139                                       | 249,664 14                                  | 6.80                                                   |
| Kansas.....            | 68                           | 625            | 756,308             | 299                                       | 515,081 29                                  | 21.76                                                  |
| Kentucky.....          | 90                           | 1,477          | 1,879,128           | 443                                       | 702,499 21                                  | 12.96                                                  |
| Louisiana.....         | 98                           | 2,383          | 3,763,914           | 1,364                                     | 2,977,607 15                                | 26.44                                                  |
| Maine.....             | 58                           | 686            | 686,458             | 179                                       | 280,853 94                                  | 13.20                                                  |
| Manitoba.....          | 2                            | 39             | 47,000              | 14                                        | 23,000 46                                   | 25.64                                                  |
| Maryland.....          | 36                           | 608            | 642,122             | 154                                       | 223,663 00                                  | 14.60                                                  |
| Massachusetts.....     | 84                           | 1,703          | 1,836,594           | 591                                       | 951,038 79                                  | 16.49                                                  |
| Michigan.....          | 60                           | 595            | 712,988             | 303                                       | 462,779 24                                  | 17.83                                                  |
| Minnesota.....         | 56                           | 805            | 1,119,974           | 240                                       | 358,326 88                                  | 17.32                                                  |
| Mississippi.....       | 135                          | 3,051          | 5,085,811           | 1,643                                     | 3,594,167 96                                | 24.84                                                  |
| Missouri.....          | 117                          | 2,425          | 2,946,672           | 1,048                                     | 1,754,717 65                                | 17.42                                                  |
| Montana.....           | 25                           | 360            | 518,539             | 98                                        | 171,050 10                                  | 10.78                                                  |
| Nebraska.....          | 24                           | 164            | 217,413             | 135                                       | 259,799 93                                  | 5.94                                                   |
| Nevada.....            | 13                           | 148            | 247,491             | 174                                       | 384,059 80                                  | 25.72                                                  |
| New Brunswick.....     | 5                            | 84             | 105,112             | 24                                        | 28,714 00                                   | 45.20                                                  |
| New Hampshire.....     | 27                           | 196            | 211,748             | 216                                       | 360,562 45                                  | 39.60                                                  |
| New Jersey.....        | 68                           | 844            | 879,868             | 618                                       | 908,450 29                                  | 20.84                                                  |
| New Mexico.....        | 17                           | 181            | 265,633             | 42                                        | 88,564 00                                   | 16.48                                                  |
| New York.....          | 96                           | 1,796          | 2,265,424           | 1,760                                     | 2,880,279 05                                | 27.69                                                  |
| North Carolina.....    | 112                          | 2,825          | 3,802,778           | 552                                       | 970,899 14                                  | 17.33                                                  |
| North Dakota.....      | 40                           | 375            | 553,360             | 36                                        | 62,750 00                                   | 2.89                                                   |
| Nova Scotia.....       | 3                            | 13             | 12,407              | 4                                         | 4,000 00                                    |                                                        |
| Ohio.....              | 264                          | 4,391          | 4,760,195           | 1,171                                     | 1,665,212 75                                | 17.60                                                  |
| Oklahoma.....          | 80                           | 1,395          | 1,961,592           | 204                                       | 320,977 00                                  | 19.95                                                  |
| Ontario.....           | 19                           | 214            | 240,943             | 59                                        | 94,400 00                                   | 22.83                                                  |
| Oregon.....            | 58                           | 781            | 1,157,199           | 111                                       | 201,025 13                                  | 14.99                                                  |
| Pennsylvania.....      | 234                          | 4,361          | 4,520,118           | 1,087                                     | 1,598,482 38                                | 18.91                                                  |
| Quebec.....            | 4                            | 62             | 75,779              | 12                                        | 18,044 00                                   | 16.26                                                  |
| Rhode Island.....      | 10                           | 90             | 108,318             | 117                                       | 194,250 51                                  | 10.99                                                  |
| Saskatchewan.....      | 2                            | 31             | 38,722              | 4                                         | 7,000 00                                    | 31.25                                                  |
| South Carolina.....    | 131                          | 2,789          | 4,040,416           | 871                                       | 1,647,636 87                                | 27.07                                                  |
| South Dakota.....      | 18                           | 195            | 244,500             | 28                                        | 45,680 00                                   | 9.95                                                   |
| Tennessee.....         | 98                           | 1,699          | 2,791,987           | 1,034                                     | 2,161,438 04                                | 21.98                                                  |
| Texas.....             | 313                          | 7,048          | 11,621,429          | 1,789                                     | 3,593,097 74                                | 18.31                                                  |
| Utah.....              | 18                           | 245            | 313,521             | 99                                        | 177,301 00                                  | 28.51                                                  |
| Vermont.....           | 11                           | 137            | 152,500             | 49                                        | 65,674 85                                   | 21.35                                                  |
| Virginia.....          | 61                           | 1,463          | 1,824,299           | 524                                       | 919,666 51                                  | 23.91                                                  |
| Washington.....        | 74                           | 1,092          | 1,517,025           | 163                                       | 279,257 71                                  | 13.63                                                  |
| West Virginia.....     | 124                          | 2,079          | 2,271,394           | 222                                       | 295,241 48                                  | 18.13                                                  |
| Wisconsin.....         | 71                           | 1,131          | 1,556,045           | 403                                       | 696,104 00                                  | 10.69                                                  |
| Wyoming.....           | 10                           | 141            | 185,500             | 59                                        | 113,019 15                                  | 6.99                                                   |
| Total.....             | 4,216                        | 73,936         | \$98,249,399        | 25,733                                    | \$45,856,728 75                             | 19.16                                                  |

# GENERAL STATISTICAL STATEMENT, JUNE, 30, 1920.

| STATES AND TERRITORIES | Sections in Active Operation | No. of Members | Protection in Force | No. of Claims Adjusted Since Organization | Death Benefits Paid by Insurance Department | Death Rate per 1,000 Members Year Ending June 30, 1920 |
|------------------------|------------------------------|----------------|---------------------|-------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|
| Alabama.....           | 137                          | 3,004          | 4,252,807           | 1,252                                     | 2,672,893 10                                | 20.36                                                  |
| Alaska.....            | 1                            | 4              | 7,000               | .....                                     | .....                                       | .....                                                  |
| Alberta.....           | 2                            | 19             | 18,775              | 1                                         | 1,000 00                                    | 47.62                                                  |
| Arizona.....           | 18                           | 282            | 455,454             | 55                                        | 106,720 00                                  | 10.87                                                  |
| Arkansas.....          | 98                           | 1,727          | 2,947,262           | 793                                       | 1,741,741 61                                | 15.81                                                  |
| British Columbia       | 11                           | 156            | 180,093             | 33                                        | 47,796 00                                   | 6.49                                                   |
| California.....        | 165                          | 2,687          | 3,858,919           | 789                                       | 1,442,206 42                                | 13.56                                                  |
| Colorado.....          | 56                           | 930            | 1,132,815           | 279                                       | 435,671 00                                  | 14.08                                                  |
| Connecticut.....       | 45                           | 569            | 662,973             | 501                                       | 826,158 76                                  | 13.89                                                  |
| Delaware.....          | 8                            | 146            | 145,115             | 17                                        | 23,500 00                                   | 6.85                                                   |
| Dist. of Columbia      | 10                           | 272            | 351,815             | 318                                       | 496,887 35                                  | 10.89                                                  |
| Florida.....           | 70                           | 1,797          | 2,508,820           | 321                                       | 551,963 61                                  | 11.79                                                  |
| Georgia.....           | 126                          | 2,596          | 4,083,493           | 791                                       | 1,629,291 07                                | 14.78                                                  |
| Hawaiian Islands.      | 1                            | 37             | 76,000              | 17                                        | 32,951 00                                   | 50.63                                                  |
| Idaho.....             | 15                           | 139            | 215,023             | 39                                        | 50,693 00                                   | 7.22                                                   |
| Illinois.....          | 286                          | 5,231          | 6,000,989           | 1,906                                     | 2,796,319 42                                | 13.78                                                  |
| Indiana.....           | 288                          | 4,446          | 4,626,531           | 895                                       | 1,211,818 28                                | 13.87                                                  |
| Iowa.....              | 74                           | 591            | 790,739             | 146                                       | 260,164 14                                  | 14.80                                                  |
| Kansas.....            | 66                           | 623            | 758,704             | 312                                       | 529,685 29                                  | 20.62                                                  |
| Kentucky.....          | 92                           | 1,582          | 2,002,406           | 454                                       | 719,999 21                                  | 7.17                                                   |
| Louisiana.....         | 95                           | 2,419          | 3,792,203           | 1,406                                     | 3,055,809 15                                | 17.75                                                  |
| Maine.....             | 54                           | 700            | 699,193             | 184                                       | 286,853 94                                  | 5.76                                                   |
| Manitoba.....          | 1                            | 40             | 48,000              | 14                                        | 23,000 46                                   | .....                                                  |
| Maryland.....          | 34                           | 679            | 722,152             | 162                                       | 231,163 00                                  | 9.28                                                   |
| Massachusetts.....     | 87                           | 1,794          | 1,942,746           | 608                                       | 938,633 77                                  | 7.97                                                   |
| Michigan.....          | 60                           | 597            | 707,182             | 315                                       | 476,094 24                                  | 21.58                                                  |
| Minnesota.....         | 59                           | 863            | 1,188,066           | 251                                       | 372,326 88                                  | 11.92                                                  |
| Mississippi.....       | 127                          | 3,142          | 5,217,483           | 1,698                                     | 3,691,007 96                                | 18.87                                                  |
| Missouri.....          | 122                          | 2,328          | 2,821,861           | 1,091                                     | 1,812,717 65                                | 17.93                                                  |
| Montana.....           | 22                           | 349            | 501,039             | 109                                       | 189,050 10                                  | 27.82                                                  |
| Nebraska.....          | 25                           | 153            | 202,913             | 138                                       | 262,299 93                                  | 12.54                                                  |
| Nevada.....            | 12                           | 140            | 233,491             | 180                                       | 395,059 80                                  | 40.82                                                  |
| New Brunswick...       | 5                            | 84             | 105,612             | 24                                        | 28,714 00                                   | .....                                                  |
| New Hampshire...       | 28                           | 191            | 204,748             | 222                                       | 368,562 45                                  | 30.53                                                  |
| New Jersey.....        | 66                           | 806            | 836,814             | 629                                       | 922,450 29                                  | 12.05                                                  |
| New Mexico.....        | 16                           | 197            | 303,284             | 46                                        | 97,913 00                                   | 15.75                                                  |
| New York.....          | 98                           | 1,783          | 2,248,155           | 1,801                                     | 2,934,243 05                                | 23.20                                                  |
| North Carolina...      | 117                          | 2,877          | 3,840,260           | 591                                       | 1,031,923 14                                | 13.59                                                  |
| North Dakota....       | 34                           | 395            | 600,360             | 39                                        | 66,750 00                                   | 12.90                                                  |
| Nova Scotia.....       | 3                            | 13             | 12,407              | 4                                         | 4,000 00                                    | .....                                                  |
| Ohio.....              | 273                          | 5,338          | 6,131,372           | 1,236                                     | 1,737,660 75                                | 11.85                                                  |
| Oklahoma.....          | 83                           | 1,673          | 2,330,521           | 217                                       | 348,277 00                                  | 9.09                                                   |
| Ontario.....           | 19                           | 216            | 244,943             | 61                                        | 97,400 00                                   | 9.26                                                   |
| Oregon.....            | 59                           | 982            | 1,555,985           | 116                                       | 206,520 13                                  | 5.66                                                   |
| Pennsylvania.....      | 232                          | 4,708          | 4,927,586           | 1,144                                     | 1,666,645 38                                | 11.62                                                  |
| Quebec.....            | 4                            | 59             | 72,779              | 14                                        | 20,044 00                                   | 32.52                                                  |
| Rhode Island.....      | 10                           | 88             | 103,318             | 118                                       | 197,250 51                                  | 11.17                                                  |
| Saskatchewan.....      | 2                            | 25             | 31,722              | 8                                         | 12,000 00                                   | 133.33                                                 |
| South Carolina...      | 131                          | 3,014          | 4,431,772           | 913                                       | 1,712,136 87                                | 12.33                                                  |
| South Dakota....       | 18                           | 191            | 234,500             | 31                                        | 55,040 00                                   | 15.42                                                  |
| Tennessee.....         | 96                           | 1,658          | 2,708,923           | 1,068                                     | 2,232,038 04                                | 19.47                                                  |
| Texas.....             | 313                          | 7,245          | 11,990,515          | 1,895                                     | 3,759,969 74                                | 14.59                                                  |
| Utah.....              | 18                           | 277            | 351,521             | 106                                       | 187,301 00                                  | 37.59                                                  |
| Vermont.....           | 12                           | 133            | 143,500             | 52                                        | 73,674 85                                   | 21.98                                                  |
| Virginia.....          | 63                           | 1,661          | 2,110,755           | 554                                       | 967,666 51                                  | 19.02                                                  |
| Washington.....        | 72                           | 1,174          | 1,632,159           | 172                                       | 294,857 71                                  | 8.79                                                   |
| West Virginia....      | 127                          | 2,286          | 2,564,762           | 246                                       | 316,948 48                                  | 10.48                                                  |
| Wisconsin.....         | 73                           | 1,760          | 2,646,927           | 421                                       | 720,789 00                                  | 11.01                                                  |
| Wyoming.....           | 10                           | 134            | 174,753             | 60                                        | 115,019 15                                  | 7.25                                                   |
| Total.....             | 4,249                        | 79,010         | \$105,692,015       | 26,863                                    | \$47,517,271 19                             | 14.28                                                  |



# STATISTICAL EXHIBIT.

Showing Average Membership and Protection in Force, Losses Incurred,  
Rate of Mortality, Average Age of Deceased Members, and Total  
Amount Paid by Membership During Each Calendar  
Year from 1885 to 1919, Inclusive.

| YEAR | Average<br>Number<br>of<br>Mem-<br>bers<br>During<br>Year | Average<br>Amount of<br>Protection in<br>Force<br>During Year | DEATH LOSSES INCURRED |               | Rate of<br>Mor-<br>tality<br>per<br>1,000<br>Mem-<br>bers | Average<br>Age<br>of<br>De-<br>ceased<br>Mem-<br>bers | Total<br>Amount<br>Paid by<br>Membership<br>to<br>Insurance<br>Department |
|------|-----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|      |                                                           |                                                               | Number                | Amount        |                                                           |                                                       |                                                                           |
| 1885 | 12,235                                                    | \$26,677,000.00                                               | 84                    | \$ 197,000.00 | 6.88                                                      | 44.86                                                 | \$ 256,404.80                                                             |
| 1886 | 15,173                                                    | 33,188,000.00                                                 | 209                   | 479,000.00    | 13.77                                                     | 47.35                                                 | 462,665.50                                                                |
| 1887 | 16,272                                                    | 35,433,000.00                                                 | 210                   | 476,000.00    | 12.89                                                     | 45.73                                                 | 485,826.60                                                                |
| 1888 | 17,414                                                    | 37,768,000.00                                                 | 246                   | 545,000.00    | 14.18                                                     | 47.62                                                 | 535,568.55                                                                |
| 1889 | 19,275                                                    | 41,701,000.00                                                 | 228                   | 516,000.00    | 11.83                                                     | 45.35                                                 | 598,567.10                                                                |
| 1890 | 22,004                                                    | 47,000,000.00                                                 | 263                   | 585,000.00    | 11.95                                                     | 46.37                                                 | 661,446.95                                                                |
| 1891 | 25,351                                                    | 53,748,000.00                                                 | 396                   | 875,000.00    | 15.62                                                     | 50.94                                                 | 735,344.55                                                                |
| 1892 | 29,797                                                    | 60,687,000.00                                                 | 359                   | 810,000.00    | 12.05                                                     | 48.46                                                 | 865,730.15                                                                |
| 1893 | 31,584                                                    | 67,626,000.00                                                 | 397                   | 890,000.00    | 12.57                                                     | 47.66                                                 | 875,731.35                                                                |
| 1894 | 34,677                                                    | 73,643,000.00                                                 | 395                   | 847,000.00    | 10.14                                                     | 47.96                                                 | 938,528.25                                                                |
| 1895 | 38,737                                                    | 79,454,000.00                                                 | 454                   | 991,000.00    | 11.72                                                     | 49.02                                                 | 989,038.30                                                                |
| 1896 | 43,910                                                    | 86,406,750.00                                                 | 474                   | 1,003,000.00  | 10.79                                                     | 48.14                                                 | 1,074,351.35                                                              |
| 1897 | 49,274                                                    | 93,775,750.00                                                 | 526                   | 1,143,500.00  | 10.68                                                     | 47.98                                                 | 1,156,853.45                                                              |
| 1898 | 53,002                                                    | 98,408,000.00                                                 | 598                   | 1,236,000.00  | 11.11                                                     | 49.12                                                 | 1,275,766.05                                                              |
| 1899 | 57,418                                                    | 104,139,500.00                                                | 610                   | 1,272,000.00  | 10.58                                                     | 49.03                                                 | 1,329,044.90                                                              |
| 1900 | 63,435                                                    | 112,231,000.00                                                | 712                   | 1,462,000.00  | 11.22                                                     | 49.61                                                 | 1,482,257.91                                                              |
| 1901 | 61,818                                                    | 108,814,500.00                                                | 721                   | 1,416,500.00  | 11.66                                                     | 48.76                                                 | 1,680,168.17                                                              |
| 1902 | 58,892                                                    | 102,488,250.00                                                | 715                   | 1,423,000.00  | 12.07                                                     | 50.92                                                 | 1,940,237.03                                                              |
| 1903 | 62,130                                                    | 104,723,500.00                                                | 723                   | 1,432,500.00  | 11.63                                                     | 51.02                                                 | 1,979,372.68                                                              |
| 1904 | 65,882                                                    | 107,761,500.00                                                | 819                   | 1,546,000.00  | 12.43                                                     | 50.55                                                 | 2,020,569.81                                                              |
| 1905 | 71,530                                                    | 113,496,250.00                                                | 793                   | 1,468,500.00  | 11.84                                                     | 49.74                                                 | 2,085,060.22                                                              |
| 1906 | 78,338                                                    | 121,325,250.00                                                | 902                   | 1,680,000.00  | 11.51                                                     | 52.47                                                 | 2,256,516.46                                                              |
| 1907 | 81,470                                                    | 125,178,250.00                                                | 900                   | 1,647,000.00  | 11.04                                                     | 51.69                                                 | 2,433,221.24                                                              |
| 1908 | 79,439                                                    | 122,728,000.00                                                | 1,017                 | 1,849,000.00  | 12.80                                                     | 51.71                                                 | 2,550,897.57                                                              |
| 1909 | 75,882                                                    | 115,954,750.00                                                | 1,033                 | 1,906,000.00  | 13.61                                                     | 53.41                                                 | 2,590,427.95                                                              |
| 1910 | 72,893                                                    | 108,751,352.00                                                | 1,076                 | 1,964,000.00  | 14.76                                                     | 52.84                                                 | 2,654,704.65                                                              |
| 1911 | 71,012                                                    | 102,968,599.00                                                | 943                   | 1,635,643.66  | 13.27                                                     | 53.98                                                 | 2,518,306.51                                                              |
| 1912 | 70,440                                                    | 99,540,749.00                                                 | 987                   | 1,624,497.00  | 12.62                                                     | 51.92                                                 | 2,784,468.62                                                              |
| 1913 | 71,153                                                    | 99,397,503.00                                                 | 937                   | 1,469,463.00  | 13.16                                                     | 52.94                                                 | 2,544,577.61                                                              |
| 1914 | 71,794                                                    | 99,099,117.00                                                 | 966                   | 1,559,269.00  | 13.45                                                     | 55.62                                                 | 2,492,289.49                                                              |
| 1915 | 71,338                                                    | 97,558,613.00                                                 | 979                   | 1,616,183.00  | 13.72                                                     | 55.42                                                 | 2,421,752.42                                                              |
| 1916 | 71,271                                                    | 96,414,904.00                                                 | 1,018                 | 1,590,606.48  | 14.18                                                     | 56.16                                                 | 2,363,917.34                                                              |
| 1917 | 72,072                                                    | 96,453,476.00                                                 | 1,121                 | 1,691,176.80  | 15.43                                                     | 55.77                                                 | 2,401,400.45                                                              |
| 1918 | 72,504                                                    | 96,436,790.00                                                 | 1,323                 | 1,956,548.60  | 18.08                                                     | 51.65                                                 | 2,486,212.95                                                              |
| 1919 | 74,293                                                    | 98,807,170.00                                                 | 1,157                 | 1,738,595.46  | 15.45                                                     | 54.09                                                 | 2,571,868.28                                                              |

**STATEMENT OF DEATH CLAIMS ADJUSTED AND PAID ANNUALLY  
SINCE ORGANIZATION OF INSURANCE DEPARTMENT.**

|                                         | NUMBER | AMOUNT          |
|-----------------------------------------|--------|-----------------|
| Fiscal year ending July 31, 1878.....   | 11     | 19,517 00       |
| Fiscal year ending July 31, 1879.....   | 91     | 148,000 00      |
| Fiscal year ending July 31, 1880.....   | 144    | 229,000 00      |
| Fiscal year ending July 31, 1881.....   | 269    | 416,233 00      |
| Fiscal year ending July 31, 1882.....   | 286    | 443,000 00      |
| Eight months ending March 31, 1883..... | 221    | 348,582 00      |
| Fiscal year ending March 31, 1884.....  | 341    | 531,604 00      |
| Fiscal year ending March 31, 1885.....  | 342    | 528,576 00      |
| Fiscal year ending March 31, 1886.....  | 318    | 566,551 85      |
| Fiscal year ending March 31, 1887.....  | 237    | 490,190 15      |
| Fiscal year ending March 31, 1888.....  | 236    | 499,920 00      |
| Fiscal year ending March 31, 1889.....  | 245    | 532,245 00      |
| Fiscal year ending March 31, 1890.....  | 255    | 539,413 00      |
| Fiscal year ending March 31, 1891.....  | 262    | 569,296 00      |
| Fiscal year ending March 31, 1892.....  | 376    | 807,501 00      |
| Fiscal year ending March 31, 1893.....  | 386    | 862,582 00      |
| Fiscal year ending March 31, 1894.....  | 364    | 780,767 00      |
| Fiscal year ending March 31, 1895.....  | 413    | 840,812 12      |
| Fiscal year ending March 31, 1896.....  | 429    | 875,589 54      |
| Fiscal year ending March 31, 1897.....  | 480    | 1,012,062 36    |
| Fiscal year ending March 31, 1898.....  | 542    | 1,120,521 04    |
| Fiscal year ending March 31, 1899.....  | 577    | 1,158,963 88    |
| Fiscal year ending March 31, 1900.....  | 600    | 1,225,553 07    |
| Fiscal year ending March 31, 1901.....  | 677    | 1,363,680 34    |
| Fiscal year ending March 31, 1902.....  | 899    | 1,726,297 18    |
| Fiscal year ending March 31, 1903.....  | 723    | 1,381,961 56    |
| Fiscal year ending March 31, 1904.....  | 751    | 1,443,888 03    |
| Fiscal year ending March 31, 1905.....  | 836    | 1,543,875 97    |
| Fiscal year ending March 31, 1906.....  | 783    | 1,424,941 55    |
| Three months ending June 30, 1906.....  | 222    | 380,896 70      |
| Fiscal year ending June 30, 1907.....   | 894    | 1,634,445 66    |
| Fiscal year ending June 30, 1908.....   | 1,001  | 1,780,348 28    |
| Fiscal year ending June 30, 1909.....   | 1,017  | 1,811,124 62    |
| Fiscal year ending June 30, 1910.....   | 1,023  | 1,844,179 67    |
| Fiscal year ending June 30, 1911.....   | 1,066  | 1,873,307 72    |
| Fiscal year ending June 30, 1912.....   | 920    | 1,531,698 98    |
| Fiscal year ending June 30, 1913.....   | 971    | 1,558,637 81    |
| Fiscal year ending June 30, 1914.....   | 983    | 1,552,918 86    |
| Fiscal year ending June 30, 1915.....   | 962    | 1,532,405 86    |
| Fiscal year ending June 30, 1916.....   | 995    | 1,599,712 50    |
| Fiscal year ending June 30, 1917.....   | 1,061  | 1,640,086 15    |
| Fiscal year ending June 30, 1918.....   | 1,098  | 1,622,654 05    |
| Fiscal year ending June 30, 1919.....   | 1,426  | 2,063,182 25    |
| Fiscal year ending June 30, 1920.....   | 1,130  | 1,660,542 44    |
| Total number of deaths.....             | 26,863 |                 |
| Total amount paid to beneficiaries..... |        | \$47,517,271 19 |

**COMPARATIVE MONTHLY TABLE OF APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP IN INSURANCE DEPARTMENT RECEIVED  
FROM JANUARY 1, 1907, TO JUNE 30, 1920.**

| MONTH          | 1907-1911        |           | 1912             |           | 1913             |           | 1914             |           | 1915             |           |
|----------------|------------------|-----------|------------------|-----------|------------------|-----------|------------------|-----------|------------------|-----------|
|                | New Applications | Transfers | New Applications | Transfers | New Applications | Transfers | New Applications | Transfers | New Applications | Transfers |
| January.....   | 2,850            | 7,088     | 640              | .....     | 474              | 2         | 662              | .....     | 295              | .....     |
| February.....  | 3,364            | 5,987     | 579              | .....     | 322              | .....     | 648              | .....     | 312              | .....     |
| March.....     | 4,185            | 5,464     | 563              | .....     | 508              | .....     | 681              | .....     | 525              | .....     |
| April.....     | 3,590            | 3,424     | 736              | .....     | 769              | .....     | 590              | .....     | 439              | .....     |
| May.....       | 4,402            | 2,964     | 644              | .....     | 598              | .....     | 543              | .....     | 399              | .....     |
| June.....      | 4,329            | 3,523     | 616              | .....     | 692              | .....     | 538              | .....     | 400              | .....     |
| July.....      | 3,750            | 4,280     | 583              | .....     | 581              | .....     | 386              | .....     | 333              | .....     |
| August.....    | 3,556            | 3,875     | 399              | .....     | 487              | .....     | 370              | .....     | 334              | .....     |
| September..... | 3,489            | 4,048     | 387              | .....     | 535              | .....     | 354              | .....     | 319              | .....     |
| October.....   | 3,855            | 4,846     | 501              | .....     | 591              | .....     | 484              | .....     | 376              | .....     |
| November.....  | 3,437            | 5,175     | 511              | .....     | 624              | .....     | 467              | .....     | 431              | .....     |
| December.....  | 3,569            | 9,354     | 785              | .....     | 670              | .....     | 352              | .....     | 455              | .....     |
| Total.....     | 44,376           | 60,028    | 6,944            | 4         | 6,851            | 3         | 6,075            | 1         | 4,668            | 6         |
| MONTH          | 1916             |           | 1917             |           | 1918             |           | 1919             |           | 1920             |           |
|                | New Applications | Transfers | New Applications | Transfers | New Applications | Transfers | New Applications | Transfers | New Applications | Transfers |
| January.....   | 385              | 3         | 516              | .....     | 224              | .....     | 499              | .....     | 848              | 1         |
| February.....  | 493              | .....     | 404              | .....     | 387              | .....     | 646              | .....     | 968              | 1         |
| March.....     | 709              | .....     | 566              | .....     | 796              | .....     | 695              | .....     | 1,193            | .....     |
| April.....     | 632              | .....     | 812              | .....     | 434              | .....     | 716              | .....     | 997              | .....     |
| May.....       | 632              | .....     | 496              | .....     | 514              | .....     | 895              | .....     | 1,051            | .....     |
| June.....      | 594              | .....     | 713              | .....     | 499              | .....     | 685              | .....     | 963              | .....     |
| July.....      | 611              | .....     | 626              | .....     | 291              | .....     | 661              | .....     | .....            | .....     |
| August.....    | 405              | .....     | 292              | .....     | 355              | .....     | 548              | .....     | .....            | .....     |
| September..... | 373              | .....     | 309              | .....     | 262              | .....     | 709              | .....     | .....            | .....     |
| October.....   | 409              | .....     | 410              | .....     | 335              | .....     | 846              | .....     | .....            | .....     |
| November.....  | 589              | .....     | 399              | .....     | 258              | .....     | 831              | .....     | .....            | .....     |
| December.....  | 518              | .....     | 337              | .....     | 610              | .....     | 940              | .....     | .....            | .....     |
| Total.....     | 6,350            | 3         | 5,880            | .....     | 4,965            | .....     | 8,671            | 1         | 6,020            | 2         |

**MONTHLY STATEMENT OF MORTALITY.  
FROM JANUARY 1, 1885, TO June 30, 1920.**

| Month          | 1885-6-7-8-9<br>1890-1-2-3-4-5 |                     |                     | 1896                |                     |                     | 1897                |                     |                     | 1898                |                     |                     | 1899                |                     |                     | 1900                |                     |                     | 1901                |                     |  |
|----------------|--------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|--|
|                | No. of Mem-<br>bers            | Amount of Insurance | No. of Mem-<br>bers | Amount of Insurance | No. of Mem-<br>bers | Amount of Insurance | No. of Mem-<br>bers | Amount of Insurance | No. of Mem-<br>bers | Amount of Insurance | No. of Mem-<br>bers | Amount of Insurance | No. of Mem-<br>bers | Amount of Insurance | No. of Mem-<br>bers | Amount of Insurance | No. of Mem-<br>bers | Amount of Insurance | No. of Mem-<br>bers | Amount of Insurance |  |
|                |                                |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |  |
| January.....   | 307                            | \$ 698,000          | 50                  | \$ 109,000          | 37                  | \$ 83,000           | 58                  | \$ 125,500          | 61                  | \$ 133,000          | 40                  | \$ 82,000           | 90                  | \$ 175,000          |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |  |
| February.....  | 242                            | 540,000             | 26                  | 46,000              | 33                  | 91,000              | 50                  | 99,500              | 55                  | 118,000             | 47                  | 95,000              | 40                  | 75,000              |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |  |
| March.....     | 234                            | 521,000             | 41                  | 94,000              | 53                  | 112,000             | 59                  | 127,500             | 55                  | 116,000             | 75                  | 163,000             | 56                  | 114,000             |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |  |
| April.....     | 273                            | 594,000             | 43                  | 90,000              | 35                  | 76,000              | 52                  | 114,000             | 60                  | 125,000             | 72                  | 132,500             | 67                  | 128,500             |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |  |
| May.....       | 246                            | 543,000             | 32                  | 71,000              | 53                  | 107,000             | 43                  | 94,000              | 35                  | 73,000              | 65                  | 118,000             | 58                  | 105,500             |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |  |
| June.....      | 246                            | 559,000             | 35                  | 78,000              | 42                  | 97,000              | 34                  | 78,000              | 45                  | 96,000              | 44                  | 86,000              | 64                  | 125,000             |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |  |
| July.....      | 279                            | 594,000             | 45                  | 100,000             | 55                  | 113,000             | 53                  | 99,500              | 40                  | 91,000              | 63                  | 143,000             | 86                  | 124,500             |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |  |
| August.....    | 272                            | 603,000             | 27                  | 52,000              | 45                  | 94,000              | 40                  | 79,000              | 51                  | 111,500             | 61                  | 127,500             | 50                  | 107,500             |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |  |
| September..... | 246                            | 557,000             | 45                  | 91,000              | 35                  | 78,000              | 41                  | 77,500              | 58                  | 111,000             | 72                  | 163,000             | 57                  | 101,000             |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |  |
| October.....   | 299                            | 667,000             | 27                  | 63,000              | 44                  | 85,000              | 55                  | 114,000             | 38                  | 75,500              | 46                  | 93,000              | 65                  | 132,000             |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |  |
| November.....  | 270                            | 610,000             | 47                  | 96,000              | 50                  | 103,500             | 44                  | 90,000              | 64                  | 130,000             | 63                  | 136,000             | 59                  | 110,000             |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |  |
| December.....  | 327                            | 725,000             | 56                  | 113,000             | 44                  | 104,000             | 69                  | 137,500             | 48                  | 92,000              | 64                  | 123,000             | 59                  | 118,500             |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |  |
| Total.....     | 3,241                          | \$7,211,000         | 474                 | \$1,003,000         | 526                 | \$1,143,500         | 598                 | \$1,236,000         | 610                 | \$1,272,000         | 712                 | \$1,462,000         | 721                 | \$1,416,500         |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |  |
|                |                                |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |  |
| January.....   | 77                             | \$ 156,000          | 75                  | \$ 154,500          | 61                  | \$ 107,500          | 84                  | \$ 161,000          | 74                  | \$ 157,000          | 78                  | \$ 142,000          | 82                  | \$ 142,500          |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |  |
|                | 66                             | 141,500             | 52                  | 93,000              | 73                  | 137,500             | 77                  | 139,000             | 75                  | 133,500             | 70                  | 124,500             | 134                 | 242,000             |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |  |
|                | 69                             | 142,000             | 57                  | 109,500             | 95                  | 193,000             | 80                  | 169,000             | 92                  | 158,000             | 84                  | 163,500             | 100                 | 195,000             |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |  |
| March.....     | 52                             | 93,000              | 66                  | 133,000             | 67                  | 122,000             | 69                  | 139,500             | 62                  | 115,000             | 71                  | 138,500             | 81                  | 136,500             |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |  |
| April.....     | 43                             | 96,500              | 75                  | 156,000             | 59                  | 105,000             | 61                  | 105,000             | 69                  | 108,500             | 100                 | 183,000             | 80                  | 153,500             |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |  |
| May.....       | 47                             | 86,500              | 40                  | 77,000              | 68                  | 131,000             | 52                  | 95,000              | 54                  | 103,000             | 56                  | 102,000             | 71                  | 125,000             |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |  |
| June.....      | 60                             | 110,000             | 61                  | 125,500             | 67                  | 112,500             | 53                  | 95,000              | 78                  | 137,500             | 70                  | 134,500             | 77                  | 131,000             |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |  |
| July.....      | 47                             | 92,000              | 55                  | 111,000             | 52                  | 104,500             | 61                  | 116,000             | 71                  | 130,000             | 76                  | 129,500             | 65                  | 123,500             |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |  |
| August.....    | 46                             | 95,500              | 56                  | 113,000             | 69                  | 121,000             | 55                  | 101,000             | 80                  | 149,500             | 77                  | 132,500             | 64                  | 121,500             |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |  |
| September..... | 59                             | 111,000             | 62                  | 121,000             | 59                  | 109,000             | 71                  | 133,000             | 76                  | 151,500             | 76                  | 134,500             | 74                  | 135,500             |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |  |
| October.....   | 70                             | 147,000             | 54                  | 106,000             | 80                  | 163,000             | 68                  | 108,500             | 85                  | 168,000             | 69                  | 139,000             | 86                  | 158,000             |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |  |
| November.....  | 75                             | 148,000             | 70                  | 133,000             | 69                  | 140,000             | 62                  | 104,500             | 93                  | 168,500             | 73                  | 123,500             | 103                 | 185,000             |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |  |
| December.....  |                                |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |  |
| Total.....     | 711                            | \$1,419,000         | 723                 | \$1,432,500         | 819                 | \$1,546,000         | 793                 | \$1,466,500         | 902                 | \$1,680,000         | 900                 | \$1,647,000         | 1,017               | \$1,849,000         |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |  |



**MONTHLY STATEMENT OF MORTALITY—Continued.  
FROM JANUARY 1, 1885, TO JUNE 30, 1929.**

| Month          | 1909                |                     |                     | 1910                |                     |                     | 1911                |                     |                     | 1912                |                     |                     | 1913                |                     |                     | 1914                |  |  |
|----------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|--|--|
|                | No. of Mem-<br>bers | Amount of Insurance | No. of Mem-<br>bers | Amount of Insurance | No. of Mem-<br>bers | Amount of Insurance | No. of Mem-<br>bers | Amount of Insurance | No. of Mem-<br>bers | Amount of Insurance | No. of Mem-<br>bers | Amount of Insurance | No. of Mem-<br>bers | Amount of Insurance | No. of Mem-<br>bers | Amount of Insurance |  |  |
| January.....   | 98                  | \$ 175,000 00       | 92                  | \$ 169,500 00       | 90                  | \$ 166,000 00       | 100                 | \$ 169,180 00       | 87                  | \$ 149,012 00       | 105                 | \$ 166,806 00       |                     |                     |                     |                     |  |  |
| February.....  | 87                  | 159,000 00          | 94                  | 173,500 00          | 86                  | 134,735 00          | 95                  | 163,081 00          | 88                  | 134,476 00          | 69                  | 106,000 00          |                     |                     |                     |                     |  |  |
| March.....     | 98                  | 177,500 00          | 110                 | 205,000 00          | 102                 | 173,355 00          | 99                  | 148,863 00          | 89                  | 136,000 00          | 98                  | 175,142 00          |                     |                     |                     |                     |  |  |
| April.....     | 80                  | 147,500 00          | 85                  | 150,500 00          | 92                  | 171,000 00          | 82                  | 151,505 00          | 73                  | 126,687 00          | 87                  | 136,500 00          |                     |                     |                     |                     |  |  |
| May.....       | 89                  | 158,500 00          | 90                  | 164,500 00          | 81                  | 156,000 00          | 69                  | 107,500 00          | 60                  | 101,227 00          | 83                  | 138,751 00          |                     |                     |                     |                     |  |  |
| June.....      | 86                  | 166,500 00          | 83                  | 140,000 00          | 69                  | 106,770 00          | 62                  | 98,576 00           | 76                  | 110,500 00          | 87                  | 136,000 00          |                     |                     |                     |                     |  |  |
| July.....      | 87                  | 171,500 00          | 88                  | 171,500 00          | 82                  | 149,442 00          | 73                  | 120,500 00          | 92                  | 130,659 00          | 80                  | 128,835 00          |                     |                     |                     |                     |  |  |
| August.....    | 92                  | 169,500 00          | 67                  | 130,000 00          | 73                  | 120,356 00          | 74                  | 121,118 00          | 68                  | 99,577 00           | 72                  | 116,340 00          |                     |                     |                     |                     |  |  |
| September..... | 76                  | 134,500 00          | 80                  | 136,500 00          | 63                  | 106,985 66          | 79                  | 124,341 00          | 74                  | 117,200 00          | 59                  | 92,105 00           |                     |                     |                     |                     |  |  |
| October.....   | 66                  | 121,500 00          | 100                 | 174,000 00          | 57                  | 101,000 00          | 70                  | 118,500 00          | 76                  | 128,863 00          | 83                  | 131,533 00          |                     |                     |                     |                     |  |  |
| November.....  | 75                  | 140,500 00          | 81                  | 149,000 00          | 64                  | 114,500 00          | 87                  | 157,245 00          | 74                  | 104,235 00          | 71                  | 116,770 00          |                     |                     |                     |                     |  |  |
| December.....  | 99                  | 184,500 00          | 106                 | 200,000 00          | 84                  | 135,500 00          | 97                  | 144,088 00          | 80                  | 131,087 00          | 72                  | 114,487 00          |                     |                     |                     |                     |  |  |
| Total.....     | 1,033               | \$1,906,000 00      | 1,076               | \$1,964,000 00      | 943                 | \$1,635,643 66      | 987                 | \$1,624,497 00      | 937                 | \$1,469,463 00      | 966                 | \$1,559,269 00      |                     |                     |                     |                     |  |  |
| Month          | 1915                |                     |                     | 1916                |                     |                     | 1917                |                     |                     | 1918                |                     |                     | 1919                |                     |                     | 1920                |  |  |
|                | No. of Mem-<br>bers | Amount of Insurance | No. of Mem-<br>bers | Amount of Insurance | No. of Mem-<br>bers | Amount of Insurance | No. of Mem-<br>bers | Amount of Insurance | No. of Mem-<br>bers | Amount of Insurance | No. of Mem-<br>bers | Amount of Insurance | No. of Mem-<br>bers | Amount of Insurance | No. of Mem-<br>bers | Amount of Insurance |  |  |
| January.....   | 101                 | \$ 188,293 00       | 93                  | \$ 156,041 00       | 112                 | \$ 177,285 00       | 131                 | \$ 201,810 70       | 164                 | \$ 232,701 48       | 108                 | \$ 155,000 00       |                     |                     |                     |                     |  |  |
| February.....  | 64                  | 106,922 00          | 84                  | 133,288 00          | 100                 | 163,000 00          | 97                  | 136,351 48          | 115                 | 162,814 96          | 129                 | 198,308 18          |                     |                     |                     |                     |  |  |
| March.....     | 105                 | 168,019 00          | 97                  | 150,508 00          | 113                 | 167,808 18          | 92                  | 134,065 74          | 114                 | 172,786 00          | 134                 | 177,866 53          |                     |                     |                     |                     |  |  |
| April.....     | 97                  | 166,744 00          | 93                  | 129,263 00          | 97                  | 147,214 96          | 92                  | 138,500 00          | 101                 | 141,294 00          | 96                  | 124,845 00          |                     |                     |                     |                     |  |  |
| May.....       | 70                  | 94,275 00           | 93                  | 147,086 00          | 89                  | 138,351 48          | 100                 | 162,797 00          | 113                 | 172,190 44          | 82                  | 129,579 00          |                     |                     |                     |                     |  |  |
| June.....      | 68                  | 94,459 00           | 73                  | 118,905 00          | 94                  | 129,230 00          | 72                  | 109,500 00          | 74                  | 116,195 00          | 75                  | 115,934 22          |                     |                     |                     |                     |  |  |
| July.....      | 71                  | 114,148 00          | 83                  | 115,905 00          | 87                  | 121,425 74          | 74                  | 112,843 74          | 87                  | 134,736 96          | .....               | .....               |                     |                     |                     |                     |  |  |
| August.....    | 76                  | 118,856 00          | 74                  | 122,351 48          | 91                  | 127,351 48          | 83                  | 126,016 00          | 63                  | 99,335 48           | .....               | .....               |                     |                     |                     |                     |  |  |
| September..... | 66                  | 115,452 00          | 80                  | 123,907 00          | 71                  | 119,970 96          | 76                  | 106,725 00          | 73                  | 124,226 66          | .....               | .....               |                     |                     |                     |                     |  |  |
| October.....   | 71                  | 122,000 00          | 90                  | 145,400 00          | 72                  | 103,920 00          | 201                 | 293,979 53          | 64                  | 97,242 00           | .....               | .....               |                     |                     |                     |                     |  |  |
| November.....  | 82                  | 146,000 00          | 67                  | 105,500 00          | 95                  | 141,501 00          | 163                 | 221,599 10          | 80                  | 120,418 48          | .....               | .....               |                     |                     |                     |                     |  |  |
| December.....  | 108                 | 181,015 00          | 91                  | 143,352 00          | 100                 | 154,118 00          | 142                 | 212,360 31          | 109                 | 164,654 00          | .....               | .....               |                     |                     |                     |                     |  |  |
| Total.....     | 979                 | \$1,616,183 00      | 1,018               | \$1,590,606 48      | 1,121               | \$1,691,176 80      | 1,323               | \$1,956,548 60      | 1,157               | \$1,738,595 46      | 624                 | \$ 901,232 93       |                     |                     |                     |                     |  |  |

# STATEMENT OF DEATH LOSSES INCURRED FROM JANUARY 1, 1885, TO DECEMBER 31, 1919.

| STATES AND TERRITORIES    | Total Deaths from 1885 to 1914 |                     |                  | 1915                |                  |                     | 1916             |                     |                  | 1917                |                  |                     | 1918             |                     |                  | 1919                |                  |                     | Total Jan. 1, 1885, to Jan. 1, 1920 |                     |
|---------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------|------------------|---------------------|------------------|---------------------|------------------|---------------------|------------------|---------------------|------------------|---------------------|------------------|---------------------|------------------|---------------------|------------------|---------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------|
|                           | No. of Mem- bers               | Amount of Insurance | No. of Mem- bers | Amount of Insurance | No. of Mem- bers | Amount of Insurance | No. of Mem- bers | Amount of Insurance | No. of Mem- bers | Amount of Insurance | No. of Mem- bers | Amount of Insurance | No. of Mem- bers | Amount of Insurance | No. of Mem- bers | Amount of Insurance | No. of Mem- bers | Amount of Insurance | No. of Mem- bers                    | Amount of Insurance |
| Alabama.....              | 871                            | \$2,047,000 00      | 46               | \$ 90,000           | 40               | \$ 75,448.00        | 61               | \$120,119 48        | 48               | \$ 76,014 00        | 55               | \$ 98,064 22        | 1,121            | \$2,506,645 70      | 1,121            | \$2,506,645 70      | 1,121            | \$2,506,645 70      | 1,121                               | \$2,506,645 70      |
| Alaska.....               | 1                              | 1,000 00            | 1                | 2,000               | 4                | 11,000 00           | 3                | 3,851 48            | 2                | 4,000 00            | 4                | 8,000 00            | 1                | 1,000 00            | 1                | 1,000 00            | 1                | 1,000 00            | 1                                   | 1,000 00            |
| Arizona.....              | 38                             | 74,000 00           | 1                | 2,000               | 4                | 11,000 00           | 3                | 3,851 48            | 2                | 4,000 00            | 4                | 8,000 00            | 1                | 1,000 00            | 1                | 1,000 00            | 1                | 1,000 00            | 1                                   | 1,000 00            |
| Arkansas.....             | 605                            | 1,394,596 00        | 23               | 54,000              | 20               | 40,500 00           | 23               | 55,000 00           | 25               | 52,500 00           | 32               | 62,099 00           | 728              | 1,658,695 00        | 728              | 1,658,695 00        | 728              | 1,658,695 00        | 728                                 | 1,658,695 00        |
| British Columbia.....     | 19                             | 35,410 00           | 2                | 2,000               | 2                | 3,086 00            | 3                | 3,000 00            | 4                | 4,500 00            | 3                | 3,000 00            | 3                | 3,000 00            | 3                | 3,000 00            | 3                | 3,000 00            | 3                                   | 3,000 00            |
| California.....           | 546                            | 1,076,664 00        | 26               | 47,500              | 43               | 81,351 48           | 34               | 55,707 48           | 40               | 76,466 48           | 33               | 46,109 74           | 722              | 1,383,799 18        | 722              | 1,383,799 18        | 722              | 1,383,799 18        | 722                                 | 1,383,799 18        |
| Colorado.....             | 174                            | 303,500 00          | 18               | 26,500              | 7                | 10,000 00           | 15               | 18,936 00           | 14               | 16,000 00           | 11               | 9,500 00            | 402              | 717,489 00          | 402              | 717,489 00          | 402              | 717,489 00          | 402                                 | 717,489 00          |
| Connecticut.....          | 333                            | 635,998 00          | 13               | 18,988              | 16               | 18,067 00           | 15               | 18,936 00           | 14               | 16,000 00           | 11               | 9,500 00            | 402              | 717,489 00          | 402              | 717,489 00          | 402              | 717,489 00          | 402                                 | 717,489 00          |
| Delaware.....             | 8                              | 12,000 00           | 2                | 3,000               | 12               | 12,000 00           | 8                | 10,000 00           | 8                | 10,000 00           | 8                | 10,000 00           | 8                | 10,000 00           | 8                | 10,000 00           | 8                | 10,000 00           | 8                                   | 10,000 00           |
| District of Columbia..... | 223                            | 380,110 00          | 16               | 17,973              | 12               | 12,000 00           | 8                | 10,000 00           | 8                | 10,000 00           | 8                | 10,000 00           | 8                | 10,000 00           | 8                | 10,000 00           | 8                | 10,000 00           | 8                                   | 10,000 00           |
| Florida.....              | 191                            | 375,500 00          | 17               | 26,000              | 22               | 31,500 00           | 28               | 42,000 00           | 27               | 40,675 18           | 21               | 28,451 00           | 306              | 544,126 18          | 306              | 544,126 18          | 306              | 544,126 18          | 306                                 | 544,126 18          |
| Georgia.....              | 567                            | 1,279,500 00        | 35               | 84,000              | 24               | 51,000 00           | 32               | 52,000 00           | 42               | 58,294 00           | 48               | 70,425 74           | 748              | 1,595,219 74        | 748              | 1,595,219 74        | 748              | 1,595,219 74        | 748                                 | 1,595,219 74        |
| Hawaiian Islands.....     | 9                              | 21,500 00           | 1                | 1,000               | 1                | 1,000               | 1                | 1,000               | 1                | 1,000               | 1                | 1,000               | 1                | 1,000               | 1                | 1,000               | 1                | 1,000               | 1                                   | 1,000               |
| Idaho.....                | 27                             | 33,000 00           | 1                | 1,000               | 1                | 1,000               | 1                | 1,000               | 1                | 1,000               | 1                | 1,000               | 1                | 1,000               | 1                | 1,000               | 1                | 1,000               | 1                                   | 1,000               |
| Illinois.....             | 1,436                          | 2,240,988 00        | 56               | 76,155              | 75               | 95,791 00           | 65               | 87,524 00           | 92               | 117,028 00          | 77               | 110,203 00          | 1,801            | 2,727,689 00        | 1,801            | 2,727,689 00        | 1,801            | 2,727,689 00        | 1,801                               | 2,727,689 00        |
| Indiana.....              | 555                            | 812,335 00          | 43               | 52,640              | 38               | 48,500 00           | 54               | 68,554 44           | 55               | 64,222 74           | 53               | 62,792 00           | 798              | 1,109,044 18        | 798              | 1,109,044 18        | 798              | 1,109,044 18        | 798                                 | 1,109,044 18        |
| Iowa.....                 | 93                             | 179,500 00          | 5                | 5,000               | 4                | 6,000 00            | 11               | 18,000 00           | 12               | 12,500 00           | 12               | 12,500 00           | 12               | 12,500 00           | 12               | 12,500 00           | 12               | 12,500 00           | 12                                  | 12,500 00           |
| Kansas.....               | 204                            | 383,500 00          | 14               | 18,500              | 13               | 21,500 00           | 21               | 30,500 00           | 19               | 36,000 00           | 24               | 32,484 00           | 18               | 32,500 00           | 266              | 469,500 00          | 266              | 469,500 00          | 266                                 | 469,500 00          |
| Kentucky.....             | 296                            | 492,075 00          | 21               | 30,500              | 19               | 36,000 00           | 24               | 32,484 00           | 18               | 32,500 00           | 16               | 23,500 00           | 394              | 647,059 00          | 394              | 647,059 00          | 394              | 647,059 00          | 394                                 | 647,059 00          |
| Louisiana.....            | 998                            | 2,359,624 00        | 51               | 102,788             | 52               | 96,887 00           | 55               | 102,718 00          | 65               | 116,724 00          | 52               | 92,500 00           | 1,273            | 2,871,251 00        | 1,273            | 2,871,251 00        | 1,273            | 2,871,251 00        | 1,273                               | 2,871,251 00        |
| Maine.....                | 147                            | 230,532 00          | 7                | 9,000               | 2                | 2,000 00            | 8                | 8,000 00            | 7                | 7,500 00            | 9                | 9,500 00            | 180              | 266,532 00          | 180              | 266,532 00          | 180              | 266,532 00          | 180                                 | 266,532 00          |
| Manitoba.....             | 13                             | 22,000 00           | 1                | 1,000               | 1                | 1,000               | 1                | 1,000               | 1                | 1,000               | 1                | 1,000               | 1                | 1,000               | 1                | 1,000               | 1                | 1,000               | 1                                   | 1,000               |
| Maryland.....             | 114                            | 181,735 00          | 4                | 7,500               | 10               | 10,031 00           | 11               | 12,500 00           | 13               | 11,000 00           | 6                | 5,800 00            | 158              | 224,000 00          | 158              | 224,000 00          | 158              | 224,000 00          | 158                                 | 224,000 00          |
| Massachusetts.....        | 402                            | 711,570 00          | 15               | 21,000              | 29               | 31,858 00           | 23               | 33,500 00           | 30               | 32,910 00           | 18               | 21,000 00           | 517              | 851,838 00          | 517              | 851,838 00          | 517              | 851,838 00          | 517                                 | 851,838 00          |
| Michigan.....             | 229                            | 380,500 00          | 11               | 15,500              | 9                | 10,500 00           | 12               | 15,000 00           | 11               | 14,500 00           | 10               | 10,815 00           | 282              | 448,815 00          | 282              | 448,815 00          | 282              | 448,815 00          | 282                                 | 448,815 00          |
| Minnesota.....            | 154                            | 286,280 00          | 5                | 10,000              | 6                | 10,500 00           | 9                | 10,000 00           | 13               | 12,500 00           | 11               | 15,000 00           | 194              | 339,250 00          | 194              | 339,250 00          | 194              | 339,250 00          | 194                                 | 339,250 00          |
| Mississippi.....          | 1,180                          | 2,847,108 00        | 49               | 97,098              | 57               | 118,079 00          | 59               | 101,188 00          | 75               | 139,592 00          | 74               | 131,718 22          | 1,494            | 3,434,783 22        | 1,494            | 3,434,783 22        | 1,494            | 3,434,783 22        | 1,494                               | 3,434,783 22        |
| Missouri.....             | 770                            | 1,384,751 00        | 35               | 51,069              | 44               | 67,952 00           | 49               | 61,000 00           | 44               | 64,631 00           | 35               | 46,110 00           | 977              | 1,675,513 00        | 977              | 1,675,513 00        | 977              | 1,675,513 00        | 977                                 | 1,675,513 00        |
| Montana.....              | 75                             | 142,000 00          | 3                | 5,000               | 8                | 6,500 00            | 4                | 7,000 00            | 5                | 6,000 00            | 6                | 12,000 00           | 101              | 178,500 00          | 101              | 178,500 00          | 101              | 178,500 00          | 101                                 | 178,500 00          |

# STATEMENT OF DEATH LOSSES INCURRED FROM JANUARY 1, 1818, TO DECEMBER 31, 1919—Continued.

| STATES AND TERRITORIES | Total Deaths from 1885 to 1914 |                     |                  | 1915                |                  | 1916                |                  | 1917                |                  | 1918                |                  | 1919                |                  | Total Jan. 1, 1885, to Jan. 1, 1920 |  |
|------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------|------------------|---------------------|------------------|---------------------|------------------|---------------------|------------------|---------------------|------------------|---------------------|------------------|-------------------------------------|--|
|                        | No. of Mem- bers               | Amount of Insurance | No. of Mem- bers | Amount of Insurance | No. of Mem- bers | Amount of Insurance | No. of Mem- bers | Amount of Insurance | No. of Mem- bers | Amount of Insurance | No. of Mem- bers | Amount of Insurance | No. of Mem- bers | Amount of Insurance                 |  |
| Nebraska.....          | 106                            | 221,000 00          | 3                | 2,500               | 1                | 210 00              | .....            | 13,000 00           | .....            | 7,000 00            | 1                | 500 00              | 111              | 224,210 00                          |  |
| Nevada.....            | 130                            | 315,642 00          | 3                | 4,000               | 2                | 6,000 00            | .....            | 2,000 00            | .....            | 3,000 00            | 5                | 9,000 00            | 150              | 354,642 00                          |  |
| New Brunswick.....     | 19                             | 29,000 00           | .....            | .....               | 1                | 714 00              | .....            | 2,000 00            | .....            | 3,000 00            | 2                | 2,000 00            | 27               | 36,714 00                           |  |
| New Hampshire.....     | 142                            | 264,751 00          | 5                | 6,500               | 9                | 10,018 00           | .....            | 3,000 00            | .....            | 14,500 00           | 5                | 7,000 00            | 174              | 305,769 00                          |  |
| New Jersey.....        | 478                            | 745,703 00          | 14               | 18,000              | 24               | 22,683 00           | .....            | 19,000 00           | .....            | 28,759 00           | 12               | 12,561 00           | 563              | 846,706 00                          |  |
| New Mexico.....        | 29                             | 69,000 00           | .....            | .....               | 4                | 6,331 00            | .....            | 12,000 00           | .....            | .....               | 5                | 6,349 00            | 45               | 93,080 00                           |  |
| New York.....          | 1,387                          | 2,347,964 00        | 55               | 82,594              | 41               | 54,252 00           | .....            | 72,377 00           | .....            | 71,812 00           | 37               | 49,464 00           | 1,624            | 2,678,463 00                        |  |
| North Carolina.....    | 379                            | 712,700 00          | 34               | 60,069              | 27               | 49,000 00           | .....            | 41,500 00           | .....            | 59,608 00           | 35               | 55,601 00           | 543              | 978,478 00                          |  |
| North Dakota.....      | 26                             | 42,000 00           | 4                | 9,000               | 2                | 7,000 00            | .....            | 6,000 00            | .....            | 6,000 00            | 3                | 4,000 00            | 40               | 74,000 00                           |  |
| Nova Scotia.....       | 3                              | 3,000 00            | .....            | .....               | .....            | .....               | .....            | .....               | .....            | 1,000 00            | .....            | .....               | 4                | 4,000 00                            |  |
| Ohio.....              | 841                            | 1,295,512 00        | 39               | 45,187              | 66               | 77,270 00           | .....            | 66,370 00           | .....            | 96,000 00           | 58               | 70,778 74           | 1,143            | 1,631,117 74                        |  |
| Oklahoma.....          | 129                            | 224,000 00          | 15               | 27,000              | 10               | 15,000 00           | .....            | 16,000 00           | .....            | 37,314 35           | 15               | 23,000 00           | 209              | 342,314 35                          |  |
| Ontario.....           | 34                             | 50,500 00           | 5                | 8,500               | 4                | 4,000 00            | .....            | 3,500 00            | .....            | 6,000 00            | 3                | 2,500 00            | 54               | 75,000 00                           |  |
| Oregon.....            | 70                             | 144,500 00          | 6                | 12,000              | 2                | 5,000 00            | .....            | 11,000 00           | .....            | 14,851 48           | 8                | 12,500 00           | 105              | 199,851 48                          |  |
| Pennsylvania.....      | 769                            | 1,240,246 00        | 54               | 57,874              | 52               | 69,078 00           | .....            | 57,925 74           | .....            | 88,110 22           | 52               | 63,742 00           | 1,063            | 1,576,975 96                        |  |
| Quebec.....            | 8                              | 15,500 00           | .....            | .....               | .....            | .....               | .....            | 3,000 00            | .....            | .....               | 1                | 1,000 00            | 10               | 19,500 00                           |  |
| Rhode Island.....      | 87                             | 153,000 00          | 2                | 3,000               | 2                | 4,000 00            | .....            | 7,000 00            | .....            | 4,225 00            | 1                | 3,000 00            | 99               | 174,225 00                          |  |
| Saskatchewan.....      | 1                              | 1,000 00            | .....            | .....               | 1                | 1,000 00            | .....            | .....               | .....            | .....               | .....            | .....               | 4                | 5,000 00                            |  |
| South Carolina.....    | 635                            | 1,288,817 00        | 58               | 96,500              | 44               | 72,000 00           | .....            | 57,000 00           | .....            | 97,500 00           | 55               | 91,500 00           | 890              | 1,703,317 00                        |  |
| South Dakota.....      | 23                             | 40,000 00           | .....            | .....               | .....            | .....               | .....            | 7,851 48            | .....            | 3,925 74            | 2                | 4,000 00            | 31               | 55,777 22                           |  |
| Tennessee.....         | 773                            | 1,719,275 00        | 52               | 65,116              | 25               | 48,000 00           | .....            | 73,000 00           | .....            | 54,566 70           | 38               | 71,195 00           | 939              | 2,031,152 70                        |  |
| Texas.....             | 1,269                          | 2,744,687 00        | 77               | 160,401             | 90               | 177,000 00          | .....            | 174,748 00          | .....            | 205,472 44          | 123              | 215,114 92          | 1,770            | 3,677,423 36                        |  |
| Utah.....              | 83                             | 152,715 00          | 1                | 3,000               | 2                | 3,000 00            | .....            | 3,000 00            | .....            | 9,577 00            | 3                | 4,000 00            | 99               | 175,292 00                          |  |
| Vermont.....           | 32                             | 49,000 00           | 1                | 231                 | 4                | 4,000 00            | .....            | 4,500 00            | .....            | 6,000 00            | 1                | 1,000 00            | 46               | 64,731 00                           |  |
| Virginia.....          | 368                            | 697,448 00          | 15               | 23,000              | 15               | 19,500 00           | .....            | 27,000 00           | .....            | 34,000 00           | 30               | 49,000 00           | 471              | 849,948 00                          |  |
| Washington.....        | 114                            | 208,166 66          | 11               | 18,000              | 11               | 14,000 00           | .....            | 33,918 96           | .....            | 33,918 96           | 5                | 6,500 00            | 166              | 291,585 62                          |  |
| West Virginia.....     | 143                            | 209,000 00          | 10               | 12,000              | 12               | 13,000 00           | .....            | 17,500 00           | .....            | 28,888 61           | 29               | 26,649 96           | 233              | 307,038 57                          |  |
| Wisconsin.....         | 283                            | 527,500 00          | 15               | 25,000              | 9                | 12,000 00           | .....            | 23,895 96           | .....            | 20,628 70           | 11               | 19,600 92           | 346              | 628,625 58                          |  |
| Wyoming.....           | 49                             | 107,000 00          | .....            | .....               | 2                | 5,000 00            | .....            | 6,925 74            | .....            | .....               | 2                | 3,000 00            | 58               | 121,925 74                          |  |
| Total.....             | 18,689                         | \$35,942,872 66     | 979              | \$1,616,183         | 1,018            | \$1,590,606 48      | 1,121            | \$1,691,176 80      | 1,323            | \$1,956,548 60      | 1,157            | \$1,738,595 46      | 24,287           | \$44,535,983 00                     |  |

# MEMBERSHIP AND INSURANCE AT ATTAINED AGE.

## FOURTH CLASS

December 31, 1919.

| At-<br>tained<br>Age | Number<br>of<br>Members | Amount<br>of<br>Insurance | At-<br>tained<br>Age | Number<br>of<br>Members | Amount<br>of<br>Insurance |
|----------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| 34                   | 1                       | \$ 1,186                  | 63                   | 22                      | 38,739                    |
| 35                   | .                       | .....                     | 64                   | 35                      | 67,063                    |
| 36                   | .                       | .....                     | 65                   | 43                      | 81,885                    |
| 37                   | 2                       | 5,000                     |                      |                         |                           |
| 38                   | 1                       | 1,000                     | 66                   | 33                      | 69,785                    |
| 39                   | 1                       | 1,000                     | 67                   | 44                      | 78,777                    |
|                      |                         |                           | 68                   | 44                      | 78,781                    |
| 40                   | 8                       | 11,567                    | 69                   | 45                      | 79,385                    |
| 41                   | 3                       | 3,000                     | 70                   | 57                      | 109,448                   |
| 42                   | 5                       | 7,218                     |                      |                         |                           |
| 43                   | 5                       | 8,000                     | 71                   | 56                      | 91,664                    |
| 44                   | 3                       | 6,000                     | 72                   | 52                      | 90,506                    |
|                      |                         |                           | 73                   | 40                      | 71,750                    |
| 45                   | 2                       | 5,000                     | 74                   | 26                      | 34,229                    |
| 46                   | 12                      | 21,000                    | 75                   | 37                      | 65,538                    |
| 47                   | 10                      | 16,000                    |                      |                         |                           |
| 48                   | 10                      | 16,258                    | 76                   | 27                      | 35,384                    |
| 49                   | 15                      | 18,561                    | 77                   | 28                      | 46,715                    |
|                      |                         |                           | 78                   | 15                      | 25,639                    |
| 50                   | 19                      | 26,020                    | 79                   | 14                      | 27,500                    |
| 51                   | 10                      | 12,942                    | 80                   | 13                      | 19,609                    |
| 52                   | 21                      | 33,925                    |                      |                         |                           |
| 53                   | 18                      | 37,000                    | 81                   | 11                      | 17,570                    |
| 54                   | 19                      | 33,500                    | 82                   | 6                       | 10,633                    |
|                      |                         |                           | 83                   | 1                       | 420                       |
| 55                   | 27                      | 43,500                    | 84                   | 5                       | 7,205                     |
| 56                   | 22                      | 36,031                    | 85                   | 3                       | 2,212                     |
| 57                   | 22                      | 44,000                    |                      |                         |                           |
| 58                   | 26                      | 45,432                    | 86                   | 3                       | 5,000                     |
| 59                   | 27                      | 46,040                    | 87                   | 1                       | 2,000                     |
|                      |                         |                           | 88                   | .                       | .....                     |
| 60                   | 35                      | 61,251                    | 89                   | 1                       | 500                       |
| 61                   | 37                      | 65,500                    | 90                   | .                       | .....                     |
| 62                   | 32                      | 60,095                    |                      |                         |                           |
| Total...             |                         |                           | 1,055                |                         | \$1,823,963               |



# MEMBERSHIP AND INSURANCE AT ATTAINED AGE.

FIFTH CLASS

December 31, 1919.

| At-<br>tained<br>Age | Number<br>of<br>Members | Amount<br>of<br>Insurance | At-<br>tained<br>Age | Number<br>of<br>Members | Amount<br>of<br>Insurance |
|----------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| 21                   | 121                     | \$183,000                 |                      |                         |                           |
| 22                   | 299                     | 412,500                   | 56                   | 1,624                   | 2,357,122                 |
| 23                   | 286                     | 394,000                   | 57                   | 1,688                   | 2,610,565                 |
| 24                   | 437                     | 592,000                   | 58                   | 1,760                   | 2,626,665                 |
| 25                   | 563                     | 743,500                   | 59                   | 1,605                   | 2,386,982                 |
|                      |                         |                           | 60                   | 1,422                   | 2,126,214                 |
| 26                   | 725                     | 914,436                   |                      |                         |                           |
| 27                   | 874                     | 1,089,500                 | 61                   | 1,248                   | 1,901,432                 |
| 28                   | 982                     | 1,217,009                 | 62                   | 1,170                   | 1,769,392                 |
| 29                   | 1,151                   | 1,420,429                 | 63                   | 1,039                   | 1,588,663                 |
| 30                   | 1,244                   | 1,522,420                 | 64                   | 726                     | 1,118,666                 |
|                      |                         |                           | 65                   | 675                     | 1,014,867                 |
| 31                   | 1,346                   | 1,641,430                 |                      |                         |                           |
| 32                   | 1,354                   | 1,679,791                 | 66                   | 508                     | 798,038                   |
| 33                   | 1,558                   | 1,866,477                 | 67                   | 477                     | 747,598                   |
| 34                   | 1,787                   | 2,139,806                 | 68                   | 399                     | 596,705                   |
| 35                   | 1,957                   | 2,382,454                 | 69                   | 305                     | 486,155                   |
|                      |                         |                           | 70                   | 300                     | 461,787                   |
| 36                   | 1,987                   | 2,350,079                 |                      |                         |                           |
| 37                   | 2,170                   | 2,614,488                 | 71                   | 215                     | 304,247                   |
| 38                   | 2,171                   | 2,604,962                 | 72                   | 155                     | 226,764                   |
| 39                   | 2,218                   | 2,660,800                 | 73                   | 87                      | 144,987                   |
| 40                   | 2,237                   | 2,720,579                 | 74                   | 81                      | 130,163                   |
|                      |                         |                           | 75                   | 67                      | 97,730                    |
| 41                   | 2,239                   | 2,776,261                 |                      |                         |                           |
| 42                   | 2,297                   | 2,814,708                 | 76                   | 45                      | 62,888                    |
| 43                   | 2,382                   | 2,987,282                 | 77                   | 32                      | 46,995                    |
| 44                   | 2,375                   | 2,987,125                 | 78                   | 27                      | 35,832                    |
| 45                   | 2,415                   | 3,074,341                 | 79                   | 16                      | 25,500                    |
|                      |                         |                           | 80                   | 12                      | 12,826                    |
| 46                   | 2,335                   | 3,013,196                 |                      |                         |                           |
| 47                   | 2,496                   | 3,148,547                 | 81                   | 10                      | 12,571                    |
| 48                   | 2,310                   | 3,044,040                 | 82                   | 5                       | 5,226                     |
| 49                   | 2,410                   | 3,280,332                 | 83                   | 4                       | 5,000                     |
| 50                   | 2,422                   | 3,256,057                 | 84                   | 1                       | 2,000                     |
|                      |                         |                           | 85                   | .                       | .....                     |
| 51                   | 2,305                   | 3,137,757                 |                      |                         |                           |
| 52                   | 2,112                   | 2,960,323                 | 86                   | 1                       | 2,000                     |
| 53                   | 2,124                   | 2,970,178                 | 87                   | 1                       | 3,000                     |
| 54                   | 1,804                   | 2,604,900                 | 88                   | 1                       | 500                       |
| 55                   | 1,735                   | 2,508,144                 | 89                   | 1                       | 3,000                     |
|                      |                         |                           | Total . . .          | 74,985                  | \$99,424,931              |

# MORTALITY ACCOUNT

## For Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1919.

|                                                           |      |                           |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|------|---------------------------|
| Claims on hand unpaid June 30, 1918.....                  | No.  |                           |
| Claims incurred during year: 4th class (86) \$ 173,982.00 | 100  | Amount.....\$ 163,425 56  |
| 5th class (1,335) 1,899,904.77.....                       |      | Amount..... 2,073,886 77  |
| Total.....                                                | 1421 |                           |
| Claims settled during year: 4th class (89) \$ 174,750.00  | 1521 | Amount.....\$2,237,312 33 |
| 5th class (1,337) 1,894,001.74.....                       | 1426 | Amount..... 2,068,751 74  |
| Claims on hand unpaid June 30, 1919.....                  | 95   | Amount.....\$ 168,560 59  |

## For Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1920.

|                                                           |      |                           |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|------|---------------------------|
| Claims on hand unpaid June 30, 1919.....                  | 95   | Amount.....\$ 168,560 59  |
| Claims incurred during year: 4th class (62) \$ 111,672.00 |      | Amount..... 1,643,013 77  |
| 5th class (1,038) 1,531,341.77.....                       | 1100 |                           |
| Total.....                                                | 1195 | Amount.....\$1,811,574 36 |
| Claims settled during year: 4th class (65) \$ 117,583.00  |      | Amount..... 1,670,528 00  |
| 5th class (1,066) 1,552,945.00.....                       | 1131 |                           |
| Claims on hand unpaid June 30, 1920.....                  | 64   | Amount.....\$ 141,046 36  |

## Biennial Report of the Major General

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HEADQUARTERS, UNIFORM RANK, KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS,  
GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN, July 15, 1920.

In conformity with the provisions of the rules and regulations, I herewith present my biennial report of the condition of the Uniform Rank and of transactions in the office of the Major General during the past two years. Appended to this report are statistical tables setting forth in detail numerical and financial matters pertaining to the department.

### STATE OF THE RANK

Another two years have rolled around and it again becomes the duty of your Major General to give an account of his stewardship and to publish to the Supreme assembly, and through them to the membership of the Uniform Rank, a brief outline of the condition of this department. In forming an estimate of the situation the circumstances must be taken into consideration. This country is just emerging from a great war, one that has staggered the civilized world with its magnitude and which in point of expenditure of human life and accumulated wealth causes all previous struggles between nations to pale to insignificance. Facing such an emergency it was to be expected that the form of fraternal endeavor which finds its expression in the maintenance and propagation of such societies as the Knights of Pythias would be more or less seriously affected. To a marked degree this has been the case with the Uniform Rank. The very great depression that came to us at the outset of the struggle and which gathered intensity as the war progressed has but recently begun to disappear. Now as the war fades farther and farther into the mist of the things that were, this condition passes away, and in place of apathy and indifference, we now behold increased activity, the renewal of interest in many localities and a general forward movement that brings joy to our hearts and strengthens the conviction that the Uniform Rank, Knights of Pythias, will go on to greater and greater victories as it fulfills its manifest destiny.

### MEMBERSHIP

While numerical increase is not the only index of the progress or retrogression of an organization, yet it is significant. During the years 1917 and 1918 our department made little, if any, headway. Further reference to the cause is needless. During that same period the order at large lost in membership to a considerable extent. But no one lost faith in Pythianism on that account. We all knew that when the clouds of strife rolled away and the world came back to normal, there would be a sure and rapid recovery from the lethargy of war times. This hope and belief have been magnificently realized in the wonderful gain made throughout the Supreme Domain during the year 1919 and thus far in 1920. The Uniform Rank is sharing in this advance movement. The most striking and encouraging report, however, is that gathered from information received from companies stating their gain since January 1, 1920. Returns received from 116 companies show that

there have been added to company rolls since the first of the year more than 800 new members. A large number of companies have not sent in returns bearing on this point. Had they been received they would doubtless show a gain for the first half of 1920 of at least one thousand, which is far greater than the gain during any calendar year since 1913. Correspondence with companies since the receipt of this information indicates a continuance of this gratifying gain.

### BRIGADE CHANGES

#### CONNECTICUT

The term of General Geo. E. Petitjean having expired, the Brigade chose as his successor Chas. A. Bunnell, of New Haven, who had served long and efficiently as a staff officer in the brigade. General Bunnell is a young man of marked ability, genial in manner and possessed of the personal touch that means so much in dealing with the Pythian order. His heart is wrapped up in this work and he has done much since his election to verify the predictions of his friends that he would make a capable and popular commander. He has added two new companies to his brigade during the past few months.

#### NEW YORK

General Max L. Holtz, owing to the demands of his business, found it necessary to refuse re-election as brigade commander of New York. An able successor was found in General Seward Shepard of Albany, who has for many years been actively identified with the work of the New York brigade. He is, like General Bunnell, a young man and is filled with determination to bring his command up to a high state of efficiency. General Shepard will be welcomed to the Supreme assembly, whose members will find him a worthy Pythian, deserving of their confidence and esteem.

#### WEST VIRGINIA

This brigade, which in former years was strong and efficient, was allowed to decline until its strength was sadly depleted. Neglect by those who should have been watchful for its welfare was responsible. A leader was found, however, who possessed the courage of his convictions. Colonel Geo. C. Meyer, of Wheeling, undertook the difficult task of restoring the brigade to a semblance of its former standing. He succeeded beyond all expectations. During the spring and summer of 1919 he worked with the utmost fidelity and, after covering almost the entire state of West Virginia in his travels, was instrumental in reinstating many companies and organizing new ones. This brigade, which reported but five companies in the winter of 1918-1919, now has eighteen companies, with good prospects of more. It is not surprising, in view of this condition, that this officer was honored by a unanimous election as Brigade Commander, which position he is now holding with ability and to the satisfaction of his fellow-members.

#### MISSOURI

General J. C. Greenman tendered his resignation soon after the last meeting of the Supreme assembly. An election by mail was ordered and it resulted in the choice of General H. F. Wieman, at that time Colonel of the 1st Missouri Regiment. General Wieman has taken hold of the affairs of his office with great intelligence and has been successful in handling a difficult proposition. Two new companies in St. Louis have come in recently to cheer his heart and others are contemplated. General Wieman is welcomed to the Supreme assembly.

#### CALIFORNIA

The term of the incumbent having expired by limitation, an election by mail showed the choice of the California brigade to be Colonel H. F. Ames, of Los Angeles. He was at that time Colonel of the 3rd Regiment and his



devotion to the work of that office convinced his fellow-officers that he was worthy of advancement. He has done well with a trying situation and is demonstrating his ability in the larger command to which he has been called. A recent camp held at Yosemite is a tribute to his organizing ability and has brought many expressions of admiration for the brigade and its commander.

## RE-ELECTIONS

### PENNSYLVANIA

The brigade of the "Keystone" domain has honored itself by an almost unanimous re-election of General Wilson A. Hillegas, of Philadelphia. This earnest and able officer has done his duty fearlessly and well. He has the respect of his brothers of the Uniform Rank who appreciate his worth and who know that his Pythianism always rings true. His many friends in the assembly will be delighted to again welcome his genial presence and his wise counsels.

### INDIANA

Against his protest and repeated assertions that he could not accept re-election, General William B. Gray, of Covington, was chosen for another term. The election was a marked tribute to the esteem in which General Gray is held by the Indiana officers and showed the determination of the members of that brigade not to lose the services of so talented and able a commander, if possible to retain them. He is well known in the assembly and his advice and admonition will be a helpful asset in our deliberations in the future as in the past.

### MICHIGAN

General S. P. Kyes was unanimously re-elected at the brigade assembly held in Lansing, Michigan, last October. During his incumbency of the command of the Michigan brigade General Kyes has demonstrated his ability and has won golden opinions for his pleasing personality and his clear-headed business judgment. His fellow-members in the assembly will welcome his return.

### KENTUCKY

The ranking member of the Supreme assembly, General J. E. McCracken, of Newport, was re-elected for the fifth time at an election held during September, 1919. Everyone in the Supreme assembly knows this fine officer and he is a friend whose kindness of heart and bigness of mind grow on one as the fraternal tie strengthens. For many years his wise counsel and kindly advice have been like a guiding star. While time is swiftly passing yet it has dealt gently with our honored friend, may he be spared for many years to inspire us with his presence.

### WASHINGTON

General J. H. Junett, of Seattle, was elected for a fourth term at an election held in May, 1919, at Seattle. General Junett has served the Washington brigade faithfully and ably for these many years and he is still actively engaged in the work of upbuilding Pythianism in Washington through the medium of his brigade.

## NEW COMPANIES

Since our last meeting of the Supreme assembly the following new companies have been mustered into the service:

Rainelle No. 51, of Rainelle, W. Va.

T. H. Jewett No. 2, of South Berwick, Me.

Company "A" No. 142, of Chicago, Ill.

Richard Townsend No. 4, of Bridgeport, Conn.

Future Great No. 5, of St. Louis, Mo.

Halycon No. 7, of Cleveland, O.  
Puyallup No. 43, of Puyallup, Wash.  
Madoc No. 70, of Pittsburgh, Penn.  
J. H. Holmes No. 11, of St. Louis, Mo. (awaiting muster.)  
New Kensington No. 73, of Kensington, Pa. (awaiting muster.)  
Hugh W. Miller No. 31, of New Britain, Conn.  
Haines No. 5, of Haines, Ore. (awaiting muster.)  
Grove City No. 27, Grove City, Pa. (awaiting muster.)

### REINSTATEMENTS

Tustin No. 78, of California.  
San Pedro No. 82, of California.  
Aspen Mountain No. 12, of Colorado.  
E. F. Durand No. 11, of Connecticut.  
Owen No. 17, of Connecticut.  
Summit City No. 12, of Indiana.  
Keyes No. 16, of Maine.  
Richard Baker No. 20, of Maine.  
Freehold No. 17, of New Jersey.  
Pittsburgh No. 40, of Pennsylvania.  
Pinnickinick No. 5, of West Virginia.  
Gassaway No. 6, of West Virginia.  
Allegheny No. 11, of West Virginia.  
Glendale No. 18, of West Virginia.  
S. B. Chilton No. 29, of West Virginia.  
Edward Dalton No. 31, of West Virginia.  
T. M. Haskins No. 33, of West Virginia.  
Wetzel No. 39, of West Virginia.  
Alpine No. 56, of West Virginia.  
Kanawha No. 57, of West Virginia.  
Junior No. 62, of West Virginia.  
Springfield No. 21, of Missouri.  
Lincoln No. 2, of Utah.

### NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT

For years it has been felt that the omission of these great gatherings of the Rank was a misfortune and that it operated adversely to the progress of our department. War conditions made it practically impossible to hold such camps during the stress and strain of those trying times through which our country was passing. But now that the clouds have disappeared and the clear sun is again shining, efforts were put forth to again hold a camp similar to those which distinguished the Uniform Rank in past years. Fortunately for us a state camp was planned for the Ohio brigade, Cleveland being selected as the place for holding it. Last summer the suggestion was made that it might be broadened in its scope and become a national affair. Through the energy and self-sacrificing labor of the Cleveland Pythians the desired results have been accomplished and we are here at this time as guests in these beautiful surroundings and again behold the tented city welcoming the Sir Knights of our department. It is a source of great gratification that this has been made possible and a debt of gratitude is due the good brothers at Cleveland, both in and out of the Uniform Rank, who have brought this project to a successful issue. This revival of these gatherings will be gladly received by all Pythians as again restoring that degree of prestige which was of necessity lost during the abnormal times through which we were compelled to pass.

## RECOMMENDATIONS

*First*—Your Major General strongly advocates a complete revision of the price list of supplies and of legislation referring to the same. Present day conditions make it compulsory that some action be taken as the former prices can no longer prevail without involving the department in financial distress. The cost of making all kinds of supplies, whether printed or otherwise, has mounted with great rapidity. It is no longer possible to sell these articles at the prices named in the rules and regulations and come anywhere near covering their initial cost. Then to allow a deduction of a further 10 or 25% discount makes these transactions practically ruinous. This matter should be carefully considered by the assembly and some remedy applied. When we consider that almost the entire revenue of the Supreme assembly at the present time comes from the sale of supplies, it will be seen at once how vital a matter this is.

*Second*—I recommend that the warrant fee for new companies be placed at \$35.00. This is as low as it is possible to furnish the required supplies to new companies at prevailing prices. The rules and regulations provide that the fee shall be \$50.00, with a provision that one-half of that fee may be retained by the brigade, or by the organizer. And in the great majority of cases this practice is followed. As a consequence except in very few instances \$25.00 only is sent in with the application. Viewing the increased cost of everything in the business world, there would seem to be no serious objection to this change and the slight increase would hardly act as a hindrance in the way of forming new companies.

*Third*—The matter of uniforms is the most vexed question with which we have to deal at this time. There is no question but that there is a real demand for relief from this burden and it is certain that, if some expedient could be devised to help us out of this trouble, there could be a material increase in the number of recruits in established companies and in the number of new organizations. The cost of procuring these outfits has more than doubled. While everything else in the commercial world has increased in greater or less proportion, yet this acts as a serious drawback in recruiting our companies and establishing new ones. I have had prepared and submit for the consideration of the Supreme assembly two designs of uniforms made of a less expensive grade of cloth and which partake of the nature of a service uniform. Neither of these, I believe, as designed, would conflict with the United States law and both would be attractive and comfortable styles of outfit. I recommend these to your attention not with the idea that they shall be designed to supersede the present uniform but that they might possibly be used in the formation of new companies with a stipulation that within a reasonable time, possibly two years, such companies agree to procure the regulation uniform.

I am also submitting to your consideration a suggested change in the present shoulder straps. There is some opposition to the continuance of the present style and I respectfully refer the proposition to you for your careful consideration.

## VISITATIONS

Since our last meeting I have attended brigade assemblies in new Hampshire, Massachusetts, Connecticut, New York, Indiana and Michigan. In addition, I have made a considerable number of visits to district meetings, to single companies and to several Grand Lodges. In all cases I have to acknowledge the most courteous and fraternal welcome, for which I am sincerely grateful. Owing to the great expense of travel a considerable number of invitations have been declined, it being felt that our resources should be carefully husbanded.

## ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

To our Commander-in-Chief, Supreme Chancellor Charles S. Davis, I am indebted for many kindnesses and have always found in him a helpful and sympathetic friend of the Uniform Rank. The wonderful work he has done for Pythianism will be felt for many years to come and our department is sharing in the splendid forward movements initiated during his term of office.

To the members of the Supreme Lodge Finance Committee, through whom is disbursed the appropriation made by the Supreme Lodge for our assistance, grateful acknowledgment is here made. No favor of them has been refused, and their advice and counsel have been valuable aids in furthering our work. To Chairman R. S. Witte and Brother Charles J. Deckman, with whom I have been more directly in contact, special thanks are returned.

To all officers and Sir Knights with whom I have been brought into fraternal relations during the two busy years about to end I extend the most sincere gratitude. Through their uniform kindness and courtesy I have seen exemplified on many occasions the fundamental principles of pure friendship on which the Pythian Order is founded. The strong ties of affection that have bound me to many of these good brothers in days gone by have been strengthened by the friendly intercourse of the last biennial period. To every one of you I wish the heartiest God-speed.

## CONCLUSION

The term is ended and the results are before you. The trend is upward and many of the clouds that lowered upon us have been dissipated. The outlook is favorable as it has not been before for years. The order is progressing by leaps and bounds and now is the time for us to go forth to greater victories. A determined and united effort will place the Uniform Rank in the front rank again where it used to be and from which proud position it was for a time dislodged by circumstances not of our creating. Let each officer here today resolve that he will go back to his command determined to render in the future more valiant service for this cause to which we have dedicated the best of our endeavors. If we do that, earnestly and sincerely, the coming two years may bring us a harvest of achievement that will fill our hearts with joy and bring satisfaction to Pythians throughout the Supreme Domain.

WILLIAM H. LOOMIS,  
*Major General Commanding*



RECEIPTS OF SUPREME ASSEMBLY  
JULY, 1918, TO JULY, 1920

|                                                            |                   |
|------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Received from sale of commissions and warrants . . . . .   | \$3,118.00        |
| Received from sale of chevrons . . . . .                   | 88.50             |
| Received from sale of drill manuals . . . . .              | 88.13             |
| Received from sale of jewels of honor . . . . .            | 424.20            |
| Received from sale of sundry supplies . . . . .            | 545.38            |
| Received from fees of new companies . . . . .              | 375.00            |
| Cash on hand July 1, 1918 . . . . .                        | 877.31            |
| Supreme Lodge appropriation to apply on pay roll . . . . . | 750.00            |
| Total receipts . . . . .                                   | <u>\$6,266.52</u> |

## DISBURSEMENTS FROM JULY, 1918, TO JULY, 1920

|                                                                           |                 |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Express . . . . .                                                         | \$ 11.61        |
| Postage . . . . .                                                         | 367.92          |
| Telegraph . . . . .                                                       | 16.21           |
| Traveling expenses . . . . .                                              | 150.76          |
| Salaries . . . . .                                                        | 2,560.00        |
| Jewels of honor . . . . .                                                 | 176.11          |
| Seals . . . . .                                                           | 28.50           |
| Supplies and sundries . . . . .                                           | <u>1,726.24</u> |
| Total disbursements . . . . .                                             | \$5,037.35      |
| Balance on hand subject to check . . . . .                                | 1,229.17        |
| Above balance on deposit in Fourth National Bank, Grand Rapids, Michigan. |                 |

## TABULATION OF MEMBERSHIP

| DOMAIN                    | Companies<br>Reporting,<br>1918 | Companies<br>Reporting,<br>1920 | Membership<br>1918 | Membership,<br>1920 | Not Yet<br>Reported |            |
|---------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|---------------------|------------|
|                           |                                 |                                 |                    |                     | No. of<br>Companies | Membership |
| Arizona.....              | 1                               | .....                           | 36                 | .....               | 1                   | 36         |
| California.....           | 16                              | 13                              | 494                | 387                 | 1                   | 35         |
| Colorado.....             | 5                               | 5                               | 196                | 174                 | .....               | .....      |
| Connecticut.....          | 11                              | 13                              | 423                | 456                 | 2                   | 56         |
| Delaware.....             | 1                               | .....                           | 27                 | .....               | 1                   | 27         |
| District of Columbia..... | 2                               | 1                               | 93                 | 67                  | 1                   | 39         |
| Florida.....              | 5                               | 2                               | 165                | 61                  | 2                   | 64         |
| Georgia.....              | 13                              | 12                              | 421                | 452                 | .....               | .....      |
| Illinois.....             | 21                              | 11                              | 565                | 447                 | .....               | .....      |
| Indiana.....              | 31                              | 31                              | 1,145              | 1,124               | 4                   | 58         |
| Iowa.....                 | 4                               | 3                               | 198                | 204                 | 1                   | 19         |
| Kansas.....               | 11                              | 5                               | 287                | 169                 | 1                   | 17         |
| Kentucky.....             | 14                              | 9                               | 414                | 289                 | .....               | .....      |
| Louisiana.....            | 1                               | 1                               | 37                 | 33                  | .....               | .....      |
| Maine.....                | 21                              | 23                              | 817                | 892                 | .....               | .....      |
| Maryland.....             | 3                               | .....                           | 81                 | .....               | 2                   | 48         |
| Massachusetts.....        | 31                              | 27                              | 826                | 773                 | .....               | .....      |
| Michigan.....             | 15                              | 10                              | 534                | 341                 | 4                   | 114        |
| Mississippi.....          | 1                               | 1                               | 26                 | 49                  | .....               | .....      |
| Missouri.....             | 10                              | 11                              | 249                | 281                 | 1                   | 13         |
| Montana.....              | 2                               | 2                               | 44                 | 43                  | .....               | .....      |
| Nebraska.....             | 1                               | .....                           | 24                 | .....               | 1                   | 24         |
| Nevada.....               | 3                               | .....                           | 88                 | .....               | 1                   | 34         |
| New Hampshire.....        | 18                              | 18                              | 516                | 533                 | 1                   | 22         |
| New Jersey.....           | 5                               | 4                               | 179                | 123                 | 1                   | 20         |
| North Carolina.....       | 3                               | .....                           | 100                | .....               | 3                   | 100        |
| North Dakota.....         | 1                               | .....                           | 44                 | .....               | 1                   | 44         |
| New York.....             | 23                              | 21                              | 710                | 702                 | 1                   | 7          |
| Ohio.....                 | 78                              | 69                              | 2,775              | 2,678               | 5                   | 93         |
| Pennsylvania.....         | 35                              | 34                              | 1,167              | 1,113               | 3                   | 58         |
| Texas.....                | 1                               | 1                               | 49                 | 47                  | .....               | .....      |
| Utah.....                 | 1                               | 1                               | 33                 | 18                  | .....               | .....      |
| Vermont.....              | .....                           | 6                               | .....              | 210                 | .....               | .....      |
| Virginia.....             | 3                               | 4                               | 84                 | 151                 | 1                   | 29         |
| Washington.....           | 9                               | 11                              | 296                | 367                 | .....               | .....      |
| West Virginia.....        | 5                               | 15                              | 223                | 469                 | 6                   | 156        |
| Wisconsin.....            | 4                               | 3                               | 249                | 197                 | 1                   | 34         |
| Wyoming.....              | 1                               | .....                           | 44                 | .....               | 1                   | 44         |
| Supreme Domain.....       | 410                             | 367                             | 13,659             | 12,850              | 47                  | 1,191      |

## Official Report of the Pythian War Relief Commission

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Minneapolis, Minn., August 10, 1920.

### *To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

No more humanitarian movement ever was undertaken by the order of Knights of Pythias than the raising of the Pythian War Relief Fund for the purpose of rendering practical and tangible assistance to our members in service in the great World War, and to dependents who might become deservedly reliant upon our fraternal and financial aid.

The record of this great work, which had its inception shortly after the United States entered the titanic struggle in defense of the ideals of civilization and humanity, was formally and officially communicated to the Supreme Lodge at the convention of 1918, in the report at that time submitted by the War Relief Commission appointed by Supreme Chancellor John J. Brown. As is well known, this matter was one of the most important that came before the Supreme Lodge at its convention in Detroit two years ago, the consideration of which resulted in the adoption of an assessment resolution for the purpose of raising a War Relief Fund and enacting of statutes creating the Pythian War Relief Commission, defining its composition, duties and power with respect to the administration of such fund. The Supreme Lodge clearly reflected the patriotic and fraternal feelings of our membership at large when it so legislated.

Events moved rapidly. In less than ninety days following the adjournment of the 1918 convention, hostilities ceased, the Armistice was signed, and the glad songs of peace rang their clarion notes throughout an afflicted but joyous world. The magical effect of the Armistice was reflected in such a madness of joy as the world had never before experienced. Immediately from throughout the Supreme domain, there came urgent appeals and requests that the assessment resolution be set aside, and, upon recommendation of the Commission, this question was submitted by the Supreme Chancellor to a referendum vote of the members of the Supreme Lodge, with the result that it was overwhelmingly adopted.

The matter of setting aside the assessment resolution is referred to in the "monogram," or general text of the report of the Commission, supplementary hereto, and also in the official report submitted by the Supreme Chancellor.

### MEETINGS OF THE COMMISSION.

The Pythian War Relief Commission, charged with the important duty of administering the Relief Fund, held its first meeting in Detroit, Michigan, Saturday, August 17, 1918, immediately following the adjournment of that convention, at which time it was directed that the War Relief Statutes be printed and promulgated in quantity sufficient to furnish a copy to each subordinate lodge, this promulgation to be accompanied with a general circular-letter prepared by the Supreme Chancellor.

The next regularly called meeting of the Commission was held in Chicago, October 28th and 29th, 1918, at which meeting, as directed by statutes, "rules and regulations" were adopted for the information and guidance of

the War Relief Councils representing the several grand domains, and the guidance of subordinate lodges in the matter of making applications for relief on behalf of soldier members and their dependents. A sufficient number of copies of the rules and regulations were printed and distributed to grand lodges in quantity to supply each subordinate lodge with a copy thereof.

The second regular meeting of the Commission was held in Philadelphia, January 27th and 28th, 1919, at which time there appeared numerous representatives of neighboring grand domains for the purpose of consultation with the Commission. At this meeting the Commission authorized the preparation of a general statement reviewing the numerous questions that had arisen with reference to the Fund, its administration, the assessment resolution and referendum thereon, and amendments agreed to in the rules and regulations. Copies of this general statement were likewise furnished to all grand and subordinate lodges.

The third and last meeting of the Commission held during the past biennial period was convened in New York, April 19-21, 1920. Printed copies of the Chicago and Philadelphia meetings were furnished to all grand domains, the minutes of which, also of the New York meeting, are shown in full in the general text of this report.

The work of the Commission has been carefully and conservatively performed, and, aside from setting forth the official "minutes" of the three meetings held, other subjects having to do with the work and experience of the Commission are herein referred to under appropriate sub-headings.

### CANADIAN DOMAINS

As is well known, the Dominion of Canada was engaged in the great war practically two years before the United States became involved, and the sacrifices made by our lodges and brothers in Canada were not only of longer duration, but, proportionately, were vastly in excess of similar experiences within the States. Long prior to the time when "Old Glory" joined its colors with the Allies in this most righteous cause, our loyal cousins across the line had so generally responded to the call that practically all young and able-bodied Knights were in service, but the gallantry of Canadian Knight-hood had made provision for the discharge of relief obligations, hence did not, to any great extent, unite with their brethren in the States in raising the War Relief Fund. Their's was the larger sorrow and the greater loss during the dragging months preceding "our" cooperation in the strife. But this Relief Fund was not conditioned upon territory nor upon geographical lines—on the contrary, its meaning and purpose was as broad as the expansion of the order, covering the entire Supreme domain, and applications for relief in behalf of our afflicted brothers and their dependents in Canada were accorded the same response and the same prompt attention as have been applications received from any section where sorrow and suffering sought relief from this Fund.

### WAR RELIEF FUND RECEIPTS

The appended tabulation shows the total gross receipts of the War Relief Fund from grand domains, subordinate lodges under immediate control, the Knights of Khorassan, interest on U. S. bonds and certificates of deposit, from the beginning of the Fund movement and until the close of the fiscal year ended June 30, 1920:

|                                                      |              |
|------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Received from grand domains.....                     | \$296,717.68 |
| From subordinate lodges under immediate control..... | 1,446.25     |
| Dramatic Order Knights of Khorassan.....             | 3,088.86     |
| Individual contributors.....                         | 10,274.46    |
| Interest on United States Bonds.....                 | 13,560.13    |
| Interest on Certificates of Deposit.....             | 13,116.77    |

\$338,204.15



Detailed statements of receipts from all of the above sources will be seen in the report of the Supreme Master of Exchequer, custodian of the War Relief Fund. As required by statute, the custodian has rendered quarterly reports to members of the Commission of all receipts and disbursements, most of which reports have been published in "minutes" of the Commission, and more especially detailed in the "financial statement" published January 1, 1920, which statement is made a part of this report.

#### EXPENSES OF THE COMMISSION.

Attention is called to that portion of the "minutes" of the meeting of the Commission held in New York, April 19-21, 1920, under the sub-heading, "Commission Expenses," in which the Commission took action recommending the apportionment of all expenses incurred since the inception of the Fund movement. Hereunder is shown a tabulation of the total expenses of the Commission from the beginning and up to June 30, 1920:

|                                                      |             |
|------------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| Expenses from inception to August, 1918.....         | \$ 6,162.13 |
| Expenses from August, 1918, to January 1, 1920. .... | 3,526.73    |
| Expenses January, 1920, to June 30, 1920. ....       | 899.88      |

Total expenses of Commission.....\$10,588.74

By reason of the facts as set forth in the "minutes" of the New York meeting, wherein it is shown that the Supreme Lodge, through oversight, failed at the 1918 convention to make an appropriation covering expenses at that time reported, and the subsequent decision of the Supreme Tribunal which affected expenses incurred since the adjournment of the said convention, the Commission now recommends that the combined expenses be apportioned as under, and that provision be so made in the biennial budget of the 1920 convention:

Total expenses of the Commission.....\$10,588.74

#### *Apportionment—*

|                                          |            |
|------------------------------------------|------------|
| To the Pythian War Relief Fund.....      | \$5,171.64 |
| To the General Fund, Supreme Lodge.....  | 4,753.47   |
| To Grand Domains, Iowa and Michigan..... | 663.63     |

\$10,588.74

#### RELIEF APPLICATIONS AND PAYMENTS.

In the matter of handling applications for relief, this duty has been at all times very carefully discharged, and in strict accordance with the rules and regulations as adopted and promulgated by the Commission. To insure the utmost promptness in handling all applications, the Commission authorized the appointment of a "committee on claims" consisting of the Supreme Chancellor, the Supreme Vice Chancellor and the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal, which committee was empowered to allow claims in behalf of individual applicants to the extent of \$200—any larger sum requested to be passed upon by the entire membership of the Commission.

Each application, whether for a soldier or dependent, is made upon the blank furnished by the Commission, bearing a certificate of the subordinate lodge of which the applicant is a member, also carrying the recommendation of the War Relief Council of the grand domain wherein the application originated. All applications, as received, have been carefully considered, and, without delay, either approved for payment, returned for more complete information, or rejected, as the situation demanded. Up to the time of the preparation of this report, and since the 1918 convention of the Supreme Lodge, there have been a total of 47 applications approved for relief in the aggregate sum of \$5,548.18.

#### INTEREST EARNINGS AND EXPENSES.

At the first meeting of the Commission following the inception of the movement to raise the Relief Fund, it was estimated that the interest earn-

ings from investments would "equal or exceed" the total amount expended for relief and expense purposes, at least for a period of three years. The following summary showing interest earnings of \$10,539.98 in excess of all expenditures, is very gratifying:

|                                                 |             |             |
|-------------------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Interest received from investments . . . . .    | \$26,676.90 |             |
| Expenses (and supplies) of the Commission . . . | \$10,588.74 |             |
| Expended for relief . . . . .                   | 5,548.18    | 16,136.92   |
| Excess interest over all expenditures . . . . . |             | \$10,539.98 |

#### FUNDS COLLECTED BY GRAND DOMAINS.

The Supreme Master of Exchequer has from time to time published statements showing collections made by grand lodges, from Pythian districts and from individual contributors. His quarterly reports have shown the various sources of receipts, also interest earnings, with detailed statement of relief expenditures. It is extremely gratifying to report that the principal of the Fund is intact, even to the last dollar, and that more money has been received from interest earnings of funds invested and on deposit than the total amount of all expenses of the Commission, including payments for relief.

In some instances delay has been experienced in forwarding collections as required by statute. As occasion required, and from time to time, the Commission made formal request upon grand lodges to forward all funds as collected to the Supreme Master of Exchequer. With the understanding that there remained in the hands of some grand lodge officers moneys belonging to the fund which had not been transmitted to the custodian, the Commission, at its meeting in New York, adopted a resolution calling upon each grand domain to furnish a detailed statement of all collections, and forward all money on hand belonging to the fund, "that full credit may be given each grand domain for the total amount contributed to the Pythian War Relief Fund."

Both the original proclamation and the statutes subsequently adopted at Detroit, created the War Relief Councils, and designated grand lodge officers in the respective domains as the official mediums for the collection and forwarding of all contributions to the fund.

The raising of this War Relief Fund was practically the first time in the history of the order that all of its official machinery had been brought into play to coordinate and function in the carrying out of a great and impelling undertaking. The Commission desires to express its thanks and appreciation to grand lodge officers for their kind cooperation, to subordinate lodges and individual members of the order who were contributors to this fund, and to the Pythian press and other agencies who so generously aided to the success of this commendable undertaking.

#### PUBLICITY BY THE COMMISSION.

To the end that the history and record of the War Relief Fund, and its administration, may be clearly followed, there is set out in the general review portion of this report, appropriate references to communications promulgated since the biennial convention of 1918, with special mention of the more important announcements, such as transfer of funds, promulgation of the rules and regulations, general statement of the Commission issued early in 1919, the proclamation setting aside the assessment resolution, and statements with reference to the care, custody and investment of the funds.

#### RECOMMENDATION.

The Commission has given very earnest thought to the future of the War Relief Fund, its administration and ultimate disposition—a subject that has been more or less discussed throughout the order. As an expression of the views of the Commission, at its meeting held in New York, April

21, 1920, the appended resolution, after being carefully and earnestly considered, was unanimously adopted:

*Resolved*, That, in our judgment, based upon the experiences following all wars, applications for relief are liable to continue; that the War Relief Fund should be kept intact for the purpose of affording relief as contemplated in the statutes; and that the administration of the Fund be continued under the charge of the War Relief Commission.

In this connection, and in order that the administration of the Fund may be conducted with every safeguard as to its welfare and the cause to be served, it is our opinion that certain amendments should be made to the War Relief Statutes, which proposed amendments very properly should be made at this convention.

Fraternally submitted,

CHARLES S. DAVIS, S. C.

WILLIAM LADEW, S. V. C.

FRED E. WHEATON, S. K. R. S.

TRACY R. BANGS, P. S. C.

THOMAS J. CARLING, P. S. C.

JOHN J. BROWN, P. S. C.

D. SIDNEY WOODWORTH, S. R.

*Pythian War Relief Commission.*

## REPORT OF THE CUSTODIAN.

WILMINGTON, N. C., July 1, 1920.

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

In accordance with the requirements of section 18 of the Supreme statutes, I submit this summarized report of the receipts and disbursements of the funds received by me for the War Relief Fund. Reports have been regularly made to the War Relief Commission, and the accounts checked up and report made quarterly by a certified public accountant.

### RECEIPTS.

|                |                      |    |           |
|----------------|----------------------|----|-----------|
| <i>1917</i>    |                      |    |           |
| September 30th | Receipts for Quarter | \$ | 1,746.50  |
| December 31st  | Receipts for Quarter |    | 81,512.99 |
| <i>1918</i>    |                      |    |           |
| March 31st     | Receipts for Quarter |    | 52,831.94 |
| June 30th      | Receipts for Quarter |    | 56,659.00 |
| September 30th | Receipts for Quarter |    | 35,744.64 |
| December 31st  | Receipts for Quarter |    | 21,485.89 |
| <i>1919</i>    |                      |    |           |
| March 31st     | Receipts for Quarter |    | 32,244.55 |
| June 30th      | Receipts for Quarter |    | 15,461.73 |
| September 30th | Receipts for Quarter |    | 11,234.46 |
| December 31st  | Receipts for Quarter |    | 14,410.41 |
| <i>1920</i>    |                      |    |           |
| March 31st     | Receipts for Quarter |    | 5,035.59  |
| June 30th      | Receipts for Quarter |    | 9,836.45  |

\$338,204.15

### DISBURSEMENTS.

| <i>Ex. Order</i> | <i>Paid to</i>            | <i>For</i>         | <i>Amount</i> |
|------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|---------------|
| 1                | Murphy-Travis Co.         | Printing           | \$1,808 22    |
| 2                | John J. Brown, P.S.C.     | Traveling Expenses | 53 25         |
| 3                | W. W. Blackwell, P.S.C.   | Traveling Expenses | 51 00         |
| 4                | Thos. D. Meares, G.M.E.   | Traveling Expenses | 96 97         |
| 5                | John J. Brown, P.S.C.     | Traveling Expenses | 41 48         |
| 6                | Chas. S. Davis, S.C.      | Traveling Expenses | 98 40         |
| 7                | Fred E. Wheaton, G.K.R.S. | Traveling Expenses | 45 72         |
| 8                | Western Union Tel. Co.    | Telegrams          | 62 57         |
| 9                | Murphy-Travis Co.         | Printing           | 58 75         |
| 10               | Jurgens & Anderson Co.    | War Medals         | 241 25        |
| 11               | Chas. S. Davis, S.C.      | Traveling Expenses | 47 27         |

## DISBURSEMENTS.—Cont.

| <i>Ex Order</i>                           | <i>Paid to</i>                       | <i>For</i>                     | <i>Amount</i>       |
|-------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------|
| 12                                        | Juergens & Anderson Co. . . . .      | War medals . . . . .           | 253 56              |
| 13                                        | Murphy-Travis Co. . . . .            | Printing . . . . .             | 200 00              |
| 14                                        | Walker Taylor . . . . .              | Premium on Bond—S.M.E. . . . . | 343 84              |
| 15                                        | Thos. D. Meares, S.M.E. . . . .      | Telegrams & Postage . . . . .  | 37 00               |
| 16                                        | Juergens & Anderson Co. . . . .      | War medals . . . . .           | 55 00               |
| 17                                        | Henry Miller, G.K.R.S. . . . .       | Relief—Paid . . . . .          | 50 00               |
| 18                                        | Will E. Hampton, G.K.R.S. . . . .    | Relief—Paid . . . . .          | 50 00               |
| 19                                        | Juergens & Anderson Co. . . . .      | War medals . . . . .           | 195 00              |
| 20                                        | J. P. McCracken . . . . .            | Paid for Postage . . . . .     | 25 00               |
| 21                                        | John J. Brown, P.S.C. . . . .        | Traveling Expenses . . . . .   | 68 95               |
| 22                                        | Chas. S. Davis, S.C. . . . .         | Traveling Expenses . . . . .   | 65 72               |
| 23                                        | Thos. J. Carling, P.S.C. . . . .     | Traveling Expenses . . . . .   | 26 00               |
| 24                                        | Fred E. Wheaton, S.K.R.S. . . . .    | Traveling Expenses . . . . .   | 164 16              |
| 25                                        | Tracy R. Bangs, P.S.C. . . . .       | Traveling Expenses . . . . .   | 194 84              |
| 26                                        | Juergens & Anderson Co. . . . .      | War medals . . . . .           | 197 10              |
| 27                                        | Murphy-Travis Co. . . . .            | Printing . . . . .             | 89 75               |
| 28                                        | Ward Ferguson, G.K.R.S. . . . .      | Expenses—Iowa . . . . .        | 260 06              |
| 29                                        | Will E. Hampton, G.K.R.S. . . . .    | Expenses—Michigan . . . . .    | 403 57              |
| 30                                        | R. C. Haines . . . . .               | Traveling Expenses . . . . .   | 128 78              |
| 31                                        | Thos. D. Meares, S.M.E. . . . .      | Office expense . . . . .       | 7 30                |
| 32                                        | Murphy-Travis Co. . . . .            | Printing . . . . .             | 331 75              |
| 33                                        | Juergens & Anderson Co. . . . .      | War medals . . . . .           | 135 70              |
| 34                                        | Murphy-Travis Co. . . . .            | Printing . . . . .             | 72 00               |
| 35                                        | Trexler-Ballantine Co. . . . .       | Printing . . . . .             | 3 00                |
| 36                                        | Juergens & Anderson Co. . . . .      | War medals . . . . .           | 170 20              |
| 37                                        | Minnesota Engraving Co. . . . .      | Etchings . . . . .             | 28 97               |
| 202                                       | Will E. Hampton, G.K.R.S. . . . .    | Paid for Relief . . . . .      | 25 00               |
| 203                                       | Ward Ferguson, G.K.R.S. . . . .      | Paid for Relief . . . . .      | 50 00               |
| 204                                       | Mayer W. Aldridge, G.K.R.S. . . . .  | Paid for Relief . . . . .      | 200 00              |
| 205                                       | Robert A. Brown, G.K.R.S. . . . .    | Paid for Relief . . . . .      | 50 00               |
| 206                                       | R. George McCuish, D.D.S.C. . . . .  | Paid for Relief . . . . .      | 200 00              |
| 207                                       | Samuel Wolf . . . . .                | Relief . . . . .               | 150 00              |
| 208                                       | Robert A. Brown, G.K.R.S. . . . .    | Paid for Relief . . . . .      | 50 00               |
| 209                                       | Robert A. Brown, G.K.R.S. . . . .    | Paid for Relief . . . . .      | 50 00               |
| 210                                       | Thos. D. Meares, S.M.E. . . . .      | Paid for Relief . . . . .      | 50 00               |
| 211                                       | Thos. D. Meares, S.M.E. . . . .      | Paid for Relief . . . . .      | 25 00               |
| 212                                       | Thos. D. Meares, S.M.E. . . . .      | Paid for Relief . . . . .      | 50 00               |
| 213                                       | P. W. McAllister, G.K.R.S. . . . .   | Paid for Relief . . . . .      | 50 00               |
| 214                                       | Chas. S. Greenbaum, G.K.R.S. . . . . | Paid for Relief . . . . .      | 100 00              |
| 215                                       | Edward Yerger, G.C. . . . .          | Paid for Relief . . . . .      | 100 00              |
| 216                                       | Edward Yerger, G.C. . . . .          | Paid for Relief . . . . .      | 100 00              |
| 217                                       | Robert A. Brown, G.K.R.S. . . . .    | Paid for Relief . . . . .      | 100 00              |
| 218                                       | Wm. Beatty, G.K.R.S. . . . .         | Paid for Relief . . . . .      | 100 00              |
| 219                                       | Robert A. Brown, G.K.R.S. . . . .    | Paid for Relief . . . . .      | 50 00               |
| 220                                       | Wm. Beatty, G.K.R.S. . . . .         | Paid for Relief . . . . .      | 100 00              |
| 221                                       | Wm. Beatty, G.K.R.S. . . . .         | Paid for Relief . . . . .      | 100 00              |
| 222                                       | J. E. Townsend, G.K.R.S. . . . .     | Paid for Relief . . . . .      | 100 00              |
| 223                                       | Will E. Hampton, G.K.R.S. . . . .    | Paid for Relief . . . . .      | 100 00              |
| 224                                       | William Grossman, S. R. . . . .      | Paid for Relief . . . . .      | 100 00              |
| 225                                       | Will E. Hampton, G.K.R.S. . . . .    | Paid for Relief . . . . .      | 148 18              |
| 226                                       | Thos. D. Meares, S.M.E. . . . .      | Paid for Relief . . . . .      | 50 00               |
| 227                                       | Wm. A. Wilson, G.K.R.S. . . . .      | Paid for Relief . . . . .      | 150 00              |
| 228                                       | Henry Miller, G.K.R.S. . . . .       | Paid for Relief . . . . .      | 200 00              |
| 229                                       | Wm. Beatty, G.K.R.S. . . . .         | Paid for Relief . . . . .      | 100 00              |
| 230                                       | Alonzo Bedell, G.K.R.S. . . . .      | Paid for Relief . . . . .      | 100 00              |
| 231                                       | Ward Ferguson, G.K.R.S. . . . .      | Paid for Relief . . . . .      | 200 00              |
| 232                                       | Thos. D. Meares, S.M.E. . . . .      | Paid for Relief . . . . .      | 50 00               |
| 233                                       | Geo. E. Howe, G.K.R.S. . . . .       | Paid for Relief . . . . .      | 50 00               |
| 234                                       | Alonzo Bedell, G.K.R.S. . . . .      | Paid for Relief . . . . .      | 200 00              |
| 235                                       | Edgar J. Brown, G.K.R.S. . . . .     | Paid for Relief . . . . .      | 150 00              |
| 236                                       | Emil Pferdner, G.K.R.S. . . . .      | Paid for Relief . . . . .      | 200 00              |
| 237                                       | Alonzo Bedell, G.K.R.S. . . . .      | Paid for Relief . . . . .      | 50 00               |
| 238                                       | Robert A. Brown, G.K.R.S. . . . .    | Paid for Relief . . . . .      | 200 00              |
| 239                                       | Emil Pferdner, G.K.R.S. . . . .      | Paid for Relief . . . . .      | 200 00              |
| 240                                       | Henry Miller, G.K.R.S. . . . .       | Paid for Relief . . . . .      | 200 00              |
| 241                                       | Alonzo Bedell, G.K.R.S. . . . .      | Paid for Relief . . . . .      | 150 00              |
| 242                                       | James U. Clarkson, G. C. . . . .     | Paid for Relief . . . . .      | 150 00              |
| 243                                       | Emil Pferdner, G.K.R.S. . . . .      | Paid for Relief . . . . .      | 200 00              |
| 244                                       | William Beatty, G.K.R.S. . . . .     | Paid for Relief . . . . .      | 200 00              |
| 245                                       | C. Herbert Snow, G.K.R.S. . . . .    | Paid for Relief . . . . .      | 200 00              |
|                                           |                                      |                                | <b>\$11,310 31</b>  |
| July 1st, 1920. Balance on Hand . . . . . |                                      |                                | <b>\$326,893 84</b> |



## INVESTMENT OF FUNDS.

The balance on hand as shown is invested as follows:

|                                               |                     |
|-----------------------------------------------|---------------------|
| United States Bonds—Liberty and Victory ..... | \$275,000.00        |
| United States Treasury Notes .....            | 10,000.00           |
| Certificates of Deposit .....                 | 35,000.00           |
| Open Bank Account .....                       | 6,893.84            |
| Total .....                                   | <u>\$326,893.84</u> |

## ANALYSIS OF RECEIPTS.

The total receipts since the inception of the Fund are \$338,204.15 and were contributed as follows:

|                          |                  |
|--------------------------|------------------|
| Subordinate Lodges ..... | \$306,114.93     |
| Individual Members ..... | 2,323.46         |
| D. O. K. K. ....         | 3,088.86         |
| Interest Earned .....    | <u>26,676.90</u> |
|                          | \$338,204.15     |

RECEIPTS  
OF THE WAR RELIEF FUND  
BY DOMAINS.

| DOMAIN                                 | Lodges       | Individual | Total        |
|----------------------------------------|--------------|------------|--------------|
| Alabama.....                           | \$ 1,987 74  | \$ 46 50   | \$ 2,034 24  |
| Arizona.....                           | 2,211 00     |            | 2,211 00     |
| Arkansas.....                          | 1,912 25     | 33 00      | 1,945 25     |
| British Columbia.....                  | 668 50       | 2 50       | 671 00       |
| California.....                        | 18,468 45    | 57 50      | 18,525 95    |
| Colorado.....                          | 5,287 50     | 125 00     | 5,412 40     |
| Connecticut.....                       | 3,128 21     | 17 00      | 3,145 21     |
| Delaware.....                          | 1,580 50     | 22 00      | 1,602 50     |
| District of Columbia.....              | 743 00       | 10 00      | 753 00       |
| Florida.....                           | 3,573 93     | 26 00      | 3,599 93     |
| Georgia.....                           | 2,118 85     | 121 00     | 2,239 85     |
| Idaho.....                             | 1,421 00     | 25 00      | 1,446 00     |
| Illinois.....                          | 14,314 42    | 131 00     | 14,445 42    |
| Indiana.....                           | 26,907 15    | 124 00     | 27,031 15    |
| Iowa.....                              | 16,024 68    | 11 00      | 16,035 68    |
| Kansas.....                            | 869 39       | 18 00      | 887 39       |
| Kentucky.....                          | 2,005 17     | 100 00     | 2,105 17     |
| Louisiana.....                         | 2,328 25     | 45 00      | 2,373 25     |
| Maine.....                             | 8,000 00     | 23 00      | 8,023 00     |
| Manitoba.....                          |              | 5 00       | 5 00         |
| Maritime Provinces.....                |              | 5 00       | 5 00         |
| Maryland.....                          | 3,678 61     | 22 00      | 3,700 61     |
| Massachusetts.....                     | 5,913 40     | 20 00      | 5,933 40     |
| Michigan.....                          | 10,002 00    | 43 00      | 10,045 00    |
| Minnesota.....                         | 3,703 75     | 128 00     | 3,831 75     |
| Mississippi.....                       | 900 40       | 14 00      | 914 40       |
| Missouri.....                          | 7,191 22     | 16 00      | 7,207 22     |
| Montana.....                           | 2,391 50     | 16 00      | 2,407 50     |
| Nebraska.....                          | 2,201 50     | 25 00      | 2,226 50     |
| Nevada.....                            | 1,799 00     | 20 00      | 1,819 00     |
| New Hampshire.....                     | 2,336 00     | 24 00      | 2,360 00     |
| New Jersey.....                        | 10,571 50    | 60 00      | 10,631 50    |
| New Mexico.....                        | 880 00       | 8 50       | 888 50       |
| New York.....                          | 13,600 00    | 97 00      | 13,697 00    |
| North Carolina.....                    | 2,361 50     | 114 30     | 2,475 80     |
| North Dakota.....                      | 2,831 75     | 102 00     | 2,933 75     |
| Ohio.....                              | 44,736 36    | 41 00      | 44,777 36    |
| Oklahoma.....                          | 2,799 00     | 49 00      | 2,848 00     |
| Ontario.....                           |              | 21 16      | 21 16        |
| Oregon.....                            | 6,500 00     | 5 00       | 6,505 00     |
| Pennsylvania.....                      | 19,057 61    | 37 00      | 19,094 61    |
| Quebec.....                            | 439 00       | 10 00      | 449 00       |
| Rhode Island.....                      | 2,120 25     | 125 00     | 2,245 25     |
| South Carolina.....                    | 750 50       | 30 00      | 780 50       |
| South Dakota.....                      | 1,591 60     | 16 00      | 1,607 60     |
| Tennessee.....                         | 2,627 35     | 29 00      | 2,656 35     |
| Texas.....                             | 8,782 90     | 37 00      | 8,819 90     |
| Utah.....                              | 1,216 00     | 26 00      | 1,242 00     |
| Vermont.....                           | 800 00       | 13 00      | 813 00       |
| Virginia.....                          | 3,382 75     | 35 00      | 3,417 75     |
| Washington.....                        | 10,530 75    | 49 00      | 10,579 75    |
| West Virginia.....                     | 5,567 69     | 10 00      | 5,577 69     |
| Wisconsin.....                         | 8,948 65     | 51 00      | 8,999 65     |
| Wyoming.....                           | 1,228 90     | 47 00      | 1,275 90     |
| Alaska.....                            | 125 00       |            | 125 00       |
| Hawaii.....                            | 535 00       |            | 535 00       |
| Philippine Islands.....                | 58 00        |            | 58 00        |
| Canal Zone.....                        | 206 25       |            | 206 25       |
| Saskatchewan.....                      | 199 25       |            | 199 25       |
| D. O. K. K.....                        | 3,088 86     | 10 00      | 3,098 86     |
| Mrs. Mildred Hopwood, Grand Chief..... |              | 25 00      | 25 00        |
|                                        | \$309,203 79 | \$2,323 46 | \$311,527 25 |

## THE ILLINOIS MATTER.

The Supreme Chancellor will inform you fully of the circumstances connected with the embezzlement by Paul J. B. Haverly, then grand keeper of records and seal of the domain of Illinois, of the sum of thirty thousand dollars and about \$600 of accrued interest, belonging to the War Relief Fund, and in his hands for transmission to this office. I deem it my duty, however, to report to you briefly the extent to which my official position was involved.

I had been previously advised by the Supreme Chancellor that the sum referred to would be remitted to me on the 6th of August, and on the 8th I received an envelope bearing the superscription "Paul J. B. Haverly, Grand Keeper of Records and Seal, 130 Wells St. Chicago," which was empty. Not then suspecting any wrong, I telegraphed Haverly, but of course received no reply. Subsequent exchange of telegrams with the Supreme Chancellor, who was in Chicago, developed the fact that on August 5th, Grand Chancellor Smith Von Fossen and Haverly had exchanged a certificate of deposit for \$30,000, written in their names as custodians, issued by the Harris Trust and Savings Bank, for a cashier's check of the same bank for an equal amount drawn to my order officially, and for the purpose, stated to the issuing officer, of forwarding the same to me; that Haverly had subsequently written my name and title on the back of said cashier's check, and the bank, at his request, had passed the same to the credit of the grand lodge of Illinois, against which he held a checking privilege. He then withdrew the amount upon his own check and absconded.

Upon receipt of this information, I notified the bank by telegram and letter that the endorsement of my name was a forgery, and I also advised the Supreme Chancellor that in my opinion the bank was responsible for the improper payment, and if restitution was refused legal proceedings to recover should be instituted.

The matter was the subject of conference by the Supreme Chancellor and the grand lodge officers of Illinois, and was referred to Hon. Wm. W. McEwen of Chicago for legal advice and necessary action. Suit has been brought by him, in my name, against the Harris Trust and Savings Bank for recovery of the money, his investigation leading him to the conclusion that the bank was liable. This suit is now pending.

Faternally submitted,

THOS. D. MEARES,

*Supreme Master Exchequer*

## MONOGRAPH.

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*Note*—For the purpose of preserving a complete record of the transaction of the Pythian War Relief Commission there is set out in full the official “minutes” of the regularly called meetings of the Commission since the adjournment of the Supreme Lodge convention of 1918, also the financial statement issued by the Commission as compiled to January 1, 1920.

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### PRELIMINARY MEETING.

(*Serial No. 6*)

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DETROIT, MICHIGAN, Saturday, August 17, 1918.

By direction of Supreme Chancellor Charles S. Davis, a meeting of the Pythian War Relief Commission was held in parlor 201, Hotel Tuller, Detroit, Michigan, this Saturday evening, August 17th, 1918, at 10 o'clock, the following members being present:

Charles S. Davis, Supreme Chancellor.  
William Ladew, Supreme Vice Chancellor.  
Fred E. Wheaton, Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal.  
Thomas J. Carling, Past Supreme Chancellor.  
Tracy R. Bangs, Past Supreme Chancellor.

The Supreme Chancellor stated that he had deemed it best to call this preliminary meeting of the Commission on the day of the adjournment of the Supreme Lodge convention, for the purpose of considering the legislation as passed by the Supreme Lodge with reference to the War Relief Fund.

Considering the work at hand, the promulgation of the War Relief statutes and the assessment resolution, the following plan of action was agreed upon:

1. That the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal be authorized to have printed a sufficient number of copies of the War Relief statutes and assessment resolution, for general distribution in grand domains.

2. That the Supreme Chancellor, as soon as possible, issue an official communication addressed to the grand chancellor and members of War Relief councils, promulgating the statutes and resolution, urging in said communication that subordinate lodges appoint committees of ten members each, with a captain in charge, to promote the collection of the fund, and suggesting that Thanksgiving week, 1918, be designated as the period for a concerted drive in behalf of the Fund in all lodges throughout the supreme domain.

The Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal submitted a communication from Will E. Hampton, GKRS of Michigan, enclosing a statement of expenses incurred by the War Relief Council of said domain. From the fact that the statutes limit expenditures from this Fund to actual “relief” purposes, it was held that the Commission could not authorize the payment of any items in said statement save and except the one item for relief, and the Supreme Chancellor was requested to so notify the War Relief Council of Michigan.

The meeting adjourned.



## FIRST REGULAR MEETING.

*(Serial No. 7)*

CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, Monday, October 28, 1918.

By direction of the Supreme Chancellor a regularly called meeting of the Pythian War Relief Commission was held this day in room 100, La Salle Hotel, Chicago, Illinois, at 10 o'clock a. m., the following members being present:

Charles S. Davis, Supreme Chancellor.  
William Ladew, Supreme Vice Chancellor.  
Fred E. Wheaton, Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal.  
Tracy R. Bangs, Past Supreme Chancellor.  
John J. Brown, Past Supreme Chancellor.  
D. Sidney Woodworth, Supreme Representative (Mass.).

Present on invitation:

Thomas D. Meares, Supreme Master of Exchequer and Custodian of the War Relief Fund.

Present as visitors:

Harry Wade, President Insurance Department.  
Smith L. Von Fossen, GC, Illinois.  
Henry P. Caldwell, GKRS, Illinois.  
Walter C. Hayes, PGC, Illinois.  
Eugene E. Bone, SR, Illinois.  
Thomas Williamson, SR, Illinois.  
Swepson Y. Whitlock, GMA, Illinois.  
Al. Douglas, State Deputy GC, Illinois.  
Van E. Freeman, DDGC, Illinois.  
William J. Ratledge, Grand Trustee, Illinois.  
Thad. J. Merrill, Jud. Com. GL, Illinois.  
Frank C. Smith, PSR, Illinois.  
Ed. C. Gottry, GKRS, Wisconsin.  
J. Elmer Lehr, RV No. 165, DOKK, Wisconsin.

The Supreme Chancellor expressed his gratification upon the attendance of so many representative Pythians from Illinois, asking and urging that all present join in the deliberations of this meeting and assist in every possible way to insure the success of the great relief work undertaking to which the order at large is patriotically committed.

**Approval of Minutes:**

The minutes of the preliminary meeting held in Detroit, Michigan, August 17, 1918, were read, and on motion were unanimously "approved."

**Order of Business:**

For the orderly procedure of the Commission, it was agreed that there should be adopted an "order of business" to guide the deliberations of this and subsequent meetings, and on motion of Supreme Representative Woodworth, it was ordered, "That the Supreme Chancellor appoint a committee of two members to prepare and recommend to the Commission an order of business," whereupon the Supreme Chancellor appointed as such committee, Supreme Representative Woodworth and Past Supreme Chancellor Bangs, and requested the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal to serve with said committee.

**Rules and Regulations:**

The Secretary called attention to the provisions of section 76i, S. S., requiring the Commission to formulate and adopt "rules and regulations," same to be promulgated throughout the order; whereupon, on motion of Supreme Representative Woodworth, seconded by Past Supreme Chancellor

lor Brown, it was ordered, "That the Supreme Chancellor appoint a special committee of three members to prepare and report rules and regulations for consideration and adoption by the Commission."

The Supreme Chancellor appointed as such committee:

William Ladew, Supreme Vice Chancellor.

D. Sidney Woodworth, Supreme Representative.

Fred E. Wheaton, Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal.

### General Discussion:

The Supreme Chancellor announced that the time of this session would be devoted to a general consideration of the subject matter of the Relief Fund, and cordially invited all present to participate therein.

Representatives of Illinois called attention to the hard work and splendid results attained in raising the War Relief Fund in that domain, stating that the expenses of the grand lodge in prosecuting this work amounted to \$2,200.

Grand Chancellor Von Fossen advised the Commission that the grand lodge of Illinois, at its recent convention, authorized an appropriation of \$5,000 for the purpose of maintaining recreation huts near Camp Grant and the Great Lakes Training Station, stating that it was suggested that the Commission make a similar appropriation to aid this work at these military establishments.

Supreme Representative Woodworth reviewed the statutes adopted by the Supreme Lodge, pointing out that the Fund must be used exclusively for "relief," immediate and future, and that the Commission was without power to authorize the expenditure contemplated in the suggestion made by the Illinois representatives.

Supreme Representative Bone (Illinois) contended that every possible aid should be extended to "our boys in cantonments," and favored the appropriation by the Commission of the suggested \$5,000, with like assistance, in such amounts as may be necessary, for similar fraternal and service work in other camps and cantonments.

Grand Chancellor Von Fossen, borrowing a thought from the Pythian precept, "Sentiment must not usurp the place of judgment," urged that everything possible be done to "give our boys a good time" while they may enjoy it.

Past Supreme Chancellor Bangs supported the position of Supreme Representative Woodworth that the statutes limited the use of the Fund to relief purposes, "hence it cannot be used for entertainment projects at cantonments." Answering the suggestion that the uses of the Fund, as mentioned in the proclamation and official circulars, contemplated entertainment expenditures at Army Camps, the speaker (Bangs) stated that the proclamation and all accompanying literature on the subject matter of the Relief Fund, was of a general character, the chief aim being to extend "relief," and that the Supreme Lodge, in passing statutes relating thereto, had not only emphasized the urgency of "relief" work, but had safeguarded the Fund for this purpose.

Past Supreme Chancellor Brown called attention to his recommendations with reference to "overseas work" and activities in cantonments, pointing to the fact that the legislation of the Supreme Lodge curtailed the powers and privileges of the Commission by limiting its activities to purely "relief" work.

Supreme Representative Woodworth, commenting upon war activities in his home city and domain, cited the numerous funds raised in Fitchburg for entertainment purposes at Camp Ayer, also to extend financial aid to families having limited support, entirely without reference as to whether

such beneficiaries were members of any fraternal society or special group of citizens.

### Greetings from the DOKK:

J. Elmer Lehr, Royal Vizieer of El Wakodis Temple No. 165, DOKK, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, called attention to the letter sent by the Secretary-Treasurer of said temple to the Supreme Chancellor, Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal, Imperial Prince and Imperial Secretary, and asked the pleasure of the Commission as to an appropriate time when he could formally review the subject matter thereof.

It was agreed, and so announced by the Supreme Chancellor, that Brother Lehr would be heard immediately upon the reconvening of the Commission for the afternoon session.

On motion, it was ordered "That the Commission take recess until 2 o'clock p. m."

### AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Commission reconvened at 2:00 o'clock p. m. and was called to order by the Supreme Chancellor, all members being present as per the morning session, and practically all visitors as therein noted.

General discussion was resumed.

### Khorassan Suggestion:

Royal Vizieer Lehr, of El Wakodis Temple No. 165, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, was recognized, and proceeded to address the Commission with reference to co-operative work between the Knights of Pythias and the Knights of Khorassan, citing the correspondence between the temple and the executive officers of the two orders, from which correspondence the following extracts are taken from the letter of September 23, 1918, written on behalf of said temple by Victor Moser, Secretary-Treasurer.

"When the war ends we will face some of the greatest economic problems that the human mind has ever been called upon to solve; therefore, would it not be good Pythianism to commence to put ourselves now in position to be one fraternity at least that will take part in the forming of this new fraternal democracy and assist in carrying out the great principle of *Lift Up the Fallen*?

"We believe a great part of this can be accomplished if the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias and the Imperial Palace Knights of Khorassan, with, by and through the help of grand lodges, would establish an office in Washington, D. C., there keep a complete record of all Pythians who are now or may hereafter be engaged in this great conflict, with a follow-up history of each during his service, thereby co-operating with our Government and render it needed assistance at this time, and in case of death render immediate fraternal aid to the loved ones, by causing personal visits to be made by Pythians and their families upon those whose loss cannot be replaced, thus by little acts of kindness and the touch of 'a vanished hand,' exemplify the lessons of friendship, charity and benevolence. In case of injury, assist in lightening his burdens, and, if he returns possessed of his health, help him regain his standing in the business world and commercial life."

Brother Lehr explained that the foregoing letter had been written before the temple was advised of just the action taken by the Supreme Lodge to use the Fund expressly for "relief" purposes, but in a very interesting address reviewed the popular thought as to economic conditions after the war, and urging that the two co-ordinated Pythian orders unite

in establishing an office in Washington, to work with and under the guidance of the Government in humane service activities as outlined in the above quoted correspondence.

Brother Ed. C. Gottry, GKRS of Wisconsin, recognized as one of the leading fraternalists and Pythian students, supplemented the address of Brother Lehr, and earnestly and eloquently pointed out wherein the Pythian order was weak in its efforts and lacking in efficient application: "We are too much out of touch with each other, lacking in unity between lodges and individual members; too many members initiated in a wholesale manner without opportunity to properly instruct, impress and educate the individual. Many young men have been admitted, who, after a brief membership, have been suspended, largely because they failed to become a part of the real life and existence of the order." He not only extolled the ritual and mission of the order, but paid a deserved tribute to the Knights of Khorassan for its admirable work in "bringing together" the Pythian forces in Milwaukee, which result, he contended, could be duplicated in every large community throughout the order.

### General Talks:

State Deputy Al. Douglas (Illinois) called attention to a letter written by Truman Johnson, of Rockford, citing the negligence of this order in not caring for the wants of the boys at Camp Grant.

Walter C. Hayes, PGC (Illinois), referring to camp activities, stated that it was out of the question to undertake the maintenance of "hut" headquarters within the cantonments, but urged that steps be taken, with proper financial aid, to provide suitable "headquarters" and "club rooms" in cities adjacent thereto.

The foregoing suggestion brought up the similar experiences in San Diego, California, and Macon, Georgia, wherein it was shown that such club privileges had not been very popularly patronized by soldier Pythians stationed in camps near these cities. It also was conceded that any work of this kind, if it could be undertaken, should be on a parity basis as regards the various camps and cantonments, all of which, even if the Fund and statutes permitted, would require vastly more money than the order had, or could have, available.

Frank C. Smith, PSR (Illinois), commended the many suggestions made to "do something for the order and for the boys," stating that, in traveling quite extensively, he found that but little attention was being taken by the order, as a fraternity, in looking after its soldier members. He cited the case of his own son "over there," who had been taken ill, and that weeks elapsed before he could get any word concerning his whereabouts or condition.

Supreme Representative Williamson and Brother Ratledge (Illinois) and others, made general talks with reference to the work of the Commission, use of the Fund, responses to relief calls, and the condition and needs of the order.

The Supreme Chancellor expressed the thanks of the Commission for the many valuable suggestions made, with the assurance that the Commission would earnestly endeavor in every possible way to faithfully discharge the duties before them.

Announcement was made that the special committees on "order of business" and "rules and regulations" would meet during the evening and perform the work assigned to them.

On motion, it was ordered "That the Commission take recess until 10 o'clock a. m., Tuesday, October 29, to meet in room 300."



## SECOND DAY.

## MORNING SESSION.

The Commission reassembled at 10 o'clock a. m., Tuesday, October 29, in room 300, La Salle Hotel, Chicago, and was called to order by the Supreme Chancellor, all members being present as of the preceding day, and in addition Supreme Representative Charles J. Deckman, of Cleveland, Ohio.

**Special Contribution from Masons:**

The Supreme Vice Chancellor submitted a letter from Supreme Representative William Grossman, New York, conveying the information that Americus Lodge No. 535, F. & A. M., New York City, on Thursday evening, October 17, 1918, designated said stated communication as "Pythian Night," upon which occasion the work of conferring the "third degree" was conducted by members of the Knights of Pythias (all of whom, of course, were Masons), after which the master of the lodge delivered a splendid address commending the patriotic work of the Pythian order, and, on behalf of the lodge, delivered to Brother Grossman a check for \$10.00, as an earnest of the appreciation and fraternal sentiment of the members of Americus lodge, said amount being tendered as a special contribution to the Pythian War Relief Fund.

The appended resolution was unanimously adopted:

*Resolved*, That the thanks of the Pythian War Relief Commission be and the same hereby are extended to the master and members of Americus Lodge No. 535, F. & A. M., New York City, for their splendid manifestation of fraternal appreciation and co-operation evidenced in their unsolicited contribution to the Pythian War Relief Fund; and be it

*Further Resolved*, That the Supreme Chancellor be and he hereby is requested to convey the cordial greetings, thanks and best wishes to the members of said Americus lodge.

The foregoing contribution of \$10.00 was delivered to the Supreme Master of Exchequer, custodian of the Fund, to be officially receipted for by him.

**Affliction of John F. Onion, Texas:**

The Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal announced the serious illness of Supreme Representative John F. Onion, Dallas, Texas, with the further statement that, on behalf of the Commission, he had transmitted to Mrs. Onion a message of greeting and sympathy. The appended response was received:

DALLAS, TEXAS, October 28, 1918.

FRED E. WHEATON, LaSalle Hotel, Chicago:

With all my heart I appreciate the sympathy extended by you all. Grieved to report that John's condition remains unchanged. Left side entirely paralyzed. One doctor holds out hope for recovery, other does not. Will keep you advised. Knights of Pythias have been wonderful to us.

—MRS. JOHN F. ONION.

(Note: Brother Onion died at 4:10 p. m., Thursday, October 31, 1918, and was buried at San Antonio, Texas, Sunday, November 3. Thus ended the earthly life of one of the noblest and best beloved members of this order.)

**Order of Business:**

The special committee appointed to prepare an "order of business" for the Commission submitted its report, recommending the adoption of the following:

## ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Roll Call.
2. Reading and approving minutes.
3. Reading communications.
4. Appointment of special committees.
5. Action on communications.
6. Reports of committees.
7. Unfinished business.
8. New business.
9. Adjournment.

On motion, it was ordered, "That the foregoing be adopted as the regular order of business for the guidance of the Commission at future meetings, subject to such changes or amendments as the Commission might, from time to time, deem necessary."

**Rules and Regulations:**

The special committee appointed to formulate "rules and regulations" submitted the appended report:

*To the Supreme Chancellor:*

Your special committee to whom was delegated the duty of formulating rules and regulations for the administration of the Pythian War Relief Fund, have the honor to submit the following report:

From the fact that, as required by the statutes, the Commission is directed to adopt, and promulgate throughout the order, rules and regulations defining the manner and methods by which the trust imposed may be orderly conducted, it is our judgment that, in the promulgation of such rules as may be adopted, the Commission should accompany same with an analysis of the provisions and requirements of the War Relief statutes and the assessment resolution, to the end that all lodges and all members of the order may be given the fullest possible information on this important subject matter.

Therefore, we submit for your consideration the accompanying document, set out in three parts, as under:

*Part I.* Analysis of the War Relief Statutes.

*Part II.* The Assessment Resolution.

*Part III.* Rules and Regulations.

Fully appreciating the importance of the work assigned, and in view of the fact that but limited time was afforded your committee to formulate its report, we recommend that the Commission carefully consider these suggestions and the accompanying document, that the best judgment of all members, in consultation, may be given to this, one of the most important duties now before us.

Fraternally submitted,

WILLIAM LADEW, *SVC*,  
D. SIDNEY WOODWORTH, *SR*,  
FRED E. WHEATON, *SKRS*,  
*Committee.*

On motion, the report of the committee was adopted.

For the purpose of carefully considering the proposed "rules and regulations," it was, on motion ordered, "that the Commission go into committee of the whole."

After some time spent in "committee of the whole," the committee arose and reported to the Commission the appended analysis of the War Relief Statutes, Assessment Resolution and Rules and Regulations, which report, and the following Rules and Regulations, were unanimously adopted:

## PYTHIAN WAR RELIEF FUND.

## PART I.

## ANALYSIS OF THE STATUTES.

*What the Statutes Provide:*

1. A Pythian War Relief Commission composed of seven members, representing the order at large, and charged with the duty of directing War Relief work and administering the Fund.

2. A War Relief Council in each grand domain to direct the collection of the Fund. All expenses of said council and the collection of said Fund shall be borne by the grand domain.

3. All moneys heretofore collected from any source for the War Relief Fund and now in the custody of grand and subordinate lodges shall immediately be forwarded through proper channels to the Supreme Master of Exchequer, and money hereafter collected in each grand domain must be forwarded to the grand keeper of records and seal, and that officer shall, on the first day of each month, transmit same to the Supreme Master of Exchequer, the custodian of the Fund.

4. The War Relief Fund shall be deposited or invested as the Commission shall direct.

5. The Supreme Master of Exchequer shall make a quarterly report to the Commission, showing in detail his receipts and disbursements.

6. The Fund shall be used only for financial relief of members of the order who become disabled in service, and for relief of their families or dependents.

7. The Commission is authorized to adopt measures to increase the Fund, and also to adopt Rules and Regulations for the administration of the Fund.

8. The Commission shall furnish to all subordinate lodges, through the grand keeper of records and seal in each domain (and direct to lodges under immediate control), copies of its Rules and Regulations, also any changes or amendments thereto.

9. Members of the Commission shall receive only their necessary and actual traveling expenses incurred in the performance of their duties.

10. Expenditure for relief shall be made from the Fund only where ordered by a majority of the members of the Commission.

11. The Supreme Master of Exchequer shall give bond in such amount as the Commission shall direct, which bond shall not be less than \$100,000.

12. The Commission shall report to the Supreme Lodge at each biennial convention, all money collected, how expended, for what purpose, and to whom paid.

13. All expenses of the Commission shall be paid out of the general fund of the Supreme Lodge.

## PART II.

## ASSESSMENT RESOLUTION.

*How the Fund Shall be Raised:*

The Supreme Lodge, in biennial convention August 16, 1918, adopted a resolution, in accordance with the foregoing statutes, levying an assessment of "one dollar upon each member" of the order in each grand domain, and each subordinate lodge under immediate control of the Supreme Lodge, conditioned as follows:

1. The assessment of \$1.00 per member is due and payable to the Supreme Master of Exchequer not later than September 1, 1919.

2. Each grand lodge, and each subordinate lodge under immediate control, shall receive credit against the assessment of \$1.00 per member for the amount contributed to the Fund on the date of the passage of the assessment resolution.

3. Permission hereby is given to grand and subordinate lodges to raise money for this Fund by donations, entertainments or otherwise.

### PART III.

#### RULES AND REGULATIONS.

##### *Rules Adopted by the Commission:*

*Rule 1.* It is hereby declared that the membership basis for the purpose of fixing the amount of assessment shall be as per the official report then before the Supreme Lodge, namely, on December 31, 1917.

*Rule 2.* Any grand lodge or subordinate lodge that has heretofore and before the passage of the assessment resolution by the Supreme Lodge paid its full quota, based upon its membership at time of payment, shall be deemed to have complied with the assessment resolution.

*Rule 3.* The assessment of one dollar for each member of each lodge shall not be reduced by reason of the failure of any subordinate lodge to render its report to the grand lodge, or be delinquent in making its required contribution to the War Relief Fund, meaning that all subordinate lodges of record, warranted or chartered on December 31, 1917, shall be deemed as integral parts of the order, and as such the grand lodge shall be held to pay the full amount of one dollar per capita as shown by the official report for the year ending December 31, 1917.

*Rule 4.* Where a grand domain, or a subordinate lodge under immediate control, contributes a total amount equal to one dollar per member, whether said amount shall have been raised by assessment, voluntary contribution, donations, profits on any entertainment, or otherwise, the requirements of the assessment resolution shall be deemed to have been fully complied with.

*Rule 5.* That there may be no misunderstanding relative to the actual amount due from and payable by each grand lodge and each subordinate lodge under immediate control, official notice shall be given, with the promulgation of these Rules and Regulations, of the total amount paid by each grand domain and subordinate lodge under immediate control, for which credit is allowed against the total amount assessed such lodges respectively.

*Rule 6.* All applications for relief, presented to the Commission, shall be made out on the official forms furnished by the Commission or in such other manner as the Commission may, from time to time, determine. Each application shall be carefully investigated under the direction of this Commission, or the War Relief Council in the domain wherein the application originates, duly certified by the subordinate lodge having jurisdiction and by the grand chancellor and grand keeper of records and seal.

*Rule 7.* It is hereby declared to be the desire of the Commission that each application for relief shall receive prompt attention, to the end that every urgent case may be afforded necessary relief with as little delay as possible. In order that this rule shall be strictly adhered to, each War Relief Council is authorized, after due investigation, to advance financial aid to an amount not exceeding \$50.00 for each urgent application, not exceeding ten in number nor a total sum in excess of \$500, which amount, when accompanied by the original applications for relief, proper certif-



icates of expenditure and full statement of facts, will be paid by the Commission to reimburse the grand lodge making such advance payment.

*Rule 8.* As it will be impossible for the Commission, representing the order at large, to pass upon each individual application for relief, especially where such applications might become so numerous as to require almost constant attention, the Commission requests the earnest co-operation of each War Relief Council in the discharge of this important work, but must insist that each application for relief shall be filed with the Commission for its approval, even though payment in whole or part shall be advanced as provided in Rule 7.

#### **Reimburse Lodges for Sick Benefits:**

A communication was read from Grand Chancellor Clarence Webber, of Maine, commending the work of the Commission, pledging the hearty support of his grand domain, and making the request that he be authorized to communicate with subordinate lodges in said domain, instructing them as follows:

*Request:* "That I may instruct every subordinate lodge that has contributed its full part, one dollar per member, to the Pythian War Relief Fund, that the Pythian War Relief Commission will approve, through the War Relief Council of this grand domain, a claim to reimburse such subordinate lodge for the money it has paid out for war relief, if such claim in the first instance was of merit."

After some discussion on the foregoing request, Past Supreme Chancellor Brown offered the appended resolution, which was adopted:

*Resolved,* That the Secretary of the Commission be and he hereby is instructed to reply to the grand chancellor of Maine to the effect that the Commission cannot assume to guarantee the repayment to lodges of money advanced as sick benefits and so paid as relief to soldiers, but expressly conveying the assurance that the Commission will promptly honor all approved claims for relief in the manner as set forth in the rules and regulations adopted by the Commission.

#### **Co-operation with DOKK:**

The "Khorassan Suggestion" as set forth in the minutes of the first day (page 4), was taken up for consideration, and the communication from El Wakodis Temple No. 165, of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, was read in full, whereupon, after due consideration, the appended resolution was offered:

*Resolved,* That the Supreme Chancellor be and he hereby is directed to confer with the Imperial Prince of the Knights of Khorassan and investigate the advisability of co-operating in establishing a joint agency in Washington, D. C., for service work in behalf of Knights of Pythias, and report back to the Commission, with his recommendations, at the next meeting.

On motion of Past Supreme Chancellor Brown, the foregoing resolution was unanimously adopted.

#### **Roy C. Haines Correspondence:**

The Supreme Chancellor and the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal submitted correspondence which had passed between them and Roy C. Haines, PGC of Maine, who, upon occasion of his YMCA work in France some months ago, cashed checks at the office of the American Express Company in Paris, and reported having made certain expenditures in doing work in the name of the Pythian order.

From the fact that Brother Haines had at no time and in no manner been authorized to thus represent the Commission or the order, his request to be reimbursed for expenses thus incurred was, on motion, disallowed.  
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**Letter from Dr. de Gerin:**

The Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal submitted a letter received by him from Brother de Gerin, of Paris, urging that this order take early steps to render aid to members in the service and in that city, also suggesting the institution of a lodge, and offering his hearty co-operation in whatever work might be undertaken in the name of the order.

On motion, it was ordered, "that the secretary reply to Dr. de Gerin and advise him as to the duty of the Commission in the matter of extending relief to soldier Pythians."

**Letter from Louis C. Lynch:**

The secretary submitted a letter from Supreme Representative Louis C. Lynch, of Florida, now "somewhere in France," conveying his greetings to friends "back home" and giving assurance of his willingness to perform whatever service he could in behalf of any Pythian work that might be undertaken in France.

**Lodges in Europe:**

The suggestions, and the subject matter of undertaking to establish a Pythian lodge in Paris, in London, or any other European city, was referred to the Supreme Chancellor with the suggestion that it might be well for the committee on Pythian education to give this matter its earnest and careful consideration.

**Banks Approved as Depositaries:**

The appended resolution was offered, and unanimously adopted:

*Resolved*, That the following named banks be and hereby are approved as depositaries for the funds in the custody of the Supreme Master of Exchequer, collected for and on account of the Pythian War Relief Fund:

Murchison National Bank, Wilmington, N. C.

American Bank and Trust Co., Wilmington, N. C.

Wilmington Savings and Trust Co., Wilmington, N. C.

Peoples Savings Bank, Wilmington, N. C.

Home Savings Bank, Wilmington, N. C.

Central Trust Company of Illinois, Chicago, Ill.

**Safety Deposit Box for Fund Securities:**

With reference to the care, custody and examination of Liberty Bonds purchased by authority of the Commission, the appended preambles and resolution were unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, it has been suggested by the Supreme Master of Exchequer that, in order to avoid the large expense of a surety bond to cover the entire amount of money and securities which may come into his hands for the War Relief Fund, certain of such securities be deposited in a safe deposit box, subject to the order of this Commission, and

WHEREAS, the suggestion made meets with the approval of this Commission, therefore,

*Be It Resolved*, That the Supreme Master of Exchequer be requested to procure the use of a safety deposit box in a proper bank or depositary, and place therein all Liberty Bonds, already purchased by direction of this body, and all other bonds or securities of like nature, the purchase of which may be hereafter authorized, subject to the following rules:

1. The bank or depositary to verify and certify to the Supreme Chancellor the character, numbers, and amounts of any bonds or securities so deposited.

2. Bonds and securities so deposited not to be removed from the safety box wherein placed, except upon an order in writing given by the

Supreme Chancellor and countersigned by the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal, and delivered in any case only to the Supreme Master of Exchequer.

3. At no time shall such safety deposit box be opened except in the presence of the Supreme Master of Exchequer and an officer of the bank or depository.

4. When so opened, except upon the written order above referred to, it shall be only for the purpose of detaching coupons from any bonds or securities upon which the interest is so payable and the principal of such securities immediately replaced.

5. The certified public accountant examining the accounts of the Supreme Master of Exchequer, as directed by law, is authorized to accept the certificate of the bank or depository where the safety box referred to is located, as proper evidence of the possession of the securities deposited therein by the Supreme Master of Exchequer.

(Note: Under date of November 5th, the Peoples Savings Bank, of Wilmington, North Carolina, certified that the Supreme Master of Exchequer, in accordance with the foregoing resolution, had deposited registered U. S. Liberty Loan Bonds to the value of \$100,000 in a safety deposit box in said bank, a copy of which certificate was forwarded to the Supreme Chancellor and Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal.)

#### **Authority to Invest Funds:**

The Supreme Master of Exchequer called attention to the funds in his hands in excess of the total amount of the protection under existing surety bonds, with reference to the advisability of investing such excess funds from time to time, as might be deemed advisable, whereupon the appended resolution was offered and unanimously adopted:

*Resolved*, That the Supreme Master of Exchequer be and he hereby is authorized and directed to invest in Liberty Loan Bonds of the United States, or such other securities as may hereafter be selected by the War Relief Commission, all funds coming into his hands in excess of the difference between the sum on hand in his custody belonging to the regular fund of the Supreme Lodge and the amount of the bond given by him to the Supreme Lodge, to-wit: \$200,000; it being the intent of the Commission to keep invested in unimpeachable securities all money belonging to the War Relief Fund not fully protected by said bond.

#### **Report of the Treasurer:**

The Supreme Master of Exchequer, custodian of the War Relief Fund, submitted his report of receipts and disbursements for the quarter ending September 30, 1918, accompanying said report with the report of the certified public accountant, both of which reports were carefully read.

On motion it was ordered, "That the report of the Supreme Master of Exchequer and the report of the certified accountant be adopted, and that both reports be published as a tabular section in the printed minutes of this meeting."

#### **Another Volunteer for France:**

Communication was received from Robert A. Brown, GKRS of Indiana, advising the Commission that Brother J. P. Bessire, of Indianapolis, has offered to represent the order in France, without salary compensation.

On motion, it was ordered, "That the Secretary notify Brother Brown, and send similar notice whenever occasion arises, that the Commission is without power, under the statutes, to incur expenses for overseas work of a general character."

#### **Meetings of War Relief Councils:**

The secretary presented and read the "minutes" of the meeting of the War Relief Council of Alabama, held September 11, 1918, explaining the

work being done in that grand domain to raise its portion of the Fund.

While the receipt of the foregoing "minutes" had promptly been acknowledged, it was ordered "that the secretary convey the thanks of the Commission to the Relief Council of Alabama for its hearty co-operation and kind thoughtfulness in forwarding a copy of its proceedings."

The Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal brought up the matter of the Commission taking some formal action to encourage War Relief Councils to hold regular meetings and transmit to the Commission copies of the minutes of said meetings.

Supreme Representative Woodworth offered the appended resolution, which was unanimously adopted:

*Resolved*, That the various War Relief Councils of the several grand domains be and they hereby are requested to convene at the earliest date possible; that they thereafter hold regular meetings; that they transmit to the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal copies of their proceedings; and that the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal be and he hereby is directed to transmit a copy of this resolution to each grand domain.

#### **"Pythian Patriotism":**

The appended telegram was read:

NEW YORK, N. Y., October 28, 1918.

*Charles S. Davis, LaSalle Hotel, Chicago:*

The prerogative is yours to tax the members but no earthly power can make them patriotic. Do something worth while now and Pythian Patriotism will assert itself by generous contributions voluntarily made to the War Relief Fund.

—HENRY J. HYMAN.

#### **Recess Ordered:**

On motion, it was ordered, "That the Commission take recess until 3 o'clock p. m."

#### **AFTERNOON SESSION.**

The Commission reassembled at 3 o'clock p. m., and was called to order by the Supreme Chancellor, all members being present as at the morning session.

#### **Condensed Statement Requested:**

The Supreme Chancellor submitted a letter received by him from Pliny W. McAllister, GKRS of Minnesota, requesting a "condensed statement of the receipts and disbursements of the Fund," also inquiring "what the Fund has been and will be used for."

It was suggested that the publication of the minutes of this meeting would convey the necessary information, also that the secretary was in position to promptly advise Minnesota lodges any further information desired.

#### **Pythian Canteen at the Front:**

Past Supreme Chancellor Brown announced that he had received an interesting letter from a Pythian soldier, now overseas, and requested the privilege of forwarding said letter to the secretary, that proper mention of its subject matter might be included in the minutes of this meeting, which request was granted.

Later, the secretary received from Brother Brown a letter written by Past Chancellor W. H. Morrow, Co. "B," 49th Engineers, A. E. F., now in France, suggesting that a "Pythian Canteen" be established in the barracks where he was located, the writer offering to take charge of same. Reply was sent to Brother Morrow, advising him of the purposes of the Fund, and thanking him for his suggestion and kindly interest.



**Expenses of the Commission:**

From the fact that some misunderstanding exists with reference to the force and legality of section 76p, S. S., "That the expenses of the Commission shall be paid out of the general fund of the Supreme Lodge," and the further fact that the Supreme Lodge did not make an appropriation to cover such expenses, the Supreme Chancellor stated that he had submitted this question to the Supreme Tribunal, for judicial interpretation, and had been advised that the matter would come up for hearing at the January, 1919, sitting.

Concerning this subject matter, the appended preambles and resolution, adopted by a sub-committee of the Committee on Finance, expressing their "belief" as to the intent of the Supreme Lodge in passing the War Relief Fund statutes, was, on motion, "ordered to be printed in the minutes of this meeting":

WHEREAS, The supreme lodge, by the provisions of chapter xiv, part i, division i, as enacted at the Detroit convention of 1918, created a Pythian war relief commission; and

WHEREAS, Section 67, chapter xii, division i, of the supreme statutes, provides that no disbursement of the funds of the supreme lodge shall be made unless the same shall have been regularly appropriated by the supreme lodge; and

WHEREAS, Section 70, chapter xii, division i, supreme statutes, also provides that all claims against the supreme lodge shall be audited by the committee on finance of the supreme lodge, approving or disapproving the same; now therefore,

*Resolved*, That we, a sub-committee of the committee on finance, believe that it was the clear intent of the supreme lodge, as expressed in section 76p of the war relief enactment, that all expenses of the commission should be paid from the general fund of the supreme lodge not otherwise appropriated, and that the supreme keeper of records and seal is authorized to issue exchequer orders in payment of such expenses when such claims shall have been approved by the committee on finance.

RICHARD S. WITTE, *Chairman*.

CHARLES J. DECKMAN.

**Medal for Sons of Pythians:**

A communication was presented from the GKRS of Michigan suggesting that the Commission authorize a War Medal to be presented to sons of Pythians in the service.

On motion, it was ordered, "That the Commission was without power to use any portion of the Relief Fund for the purpose suggested."

**Fraternal Relief Work Overseas:**

The Supreme Chancellor read some interesting correspondence with reference to relief undertakings and investigation, as made and contemplated by officials of the Masonic order, Odd Fellows, and Moose, with the statement that he had been promised, or expected to receive, reports from the overseas committees representing these fraternal societies.

He also called attention to a letter received by him from the Supreme Chief of the Pythian Sisters, giving assurance of the hearty interest and co-operation of this splendid auxiliary.

**Committee on Claims:**

Some time was devoted to the matter of passing upon and approving applications for relief, with the view to avoid delays in forwarding for approval all such applications to the several members of the Commission.

The appended resolution was offered and adopted:

*Resolved*, That a committee on claims, consisting of the Supreme Chancellor, the Supreme Vice Chancellor and the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal, be and the same hereby are appointed, whose duties shall be, in behalf of the Commission, the approval or disapproval of bills for "relief" claims presented to the Commission.

#### **Next Meeting of the Commission:**

The matter of holding fixed and regular meetings of the Commission was taken up, whereupon, on motion, it was ordered, "That the next meeting of the Commission be held commencing on the fourth Monday of January, 1919 (unless sooner convened by the Supreme Chancellor), said meeting to be held in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania."

Following the custom heretofore adopted, it was agreed that invitations be sent to all grand domains adjacent to Philadelphia, inviting the presence of representatives of such War Relief Councils, on Monday, the first day of the next meeting.

#### **Instructions as to Supplies:**

The Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal announced that his office was continually receiving requests from grand domains for "Over-the-Top" Certificates, War Medals and Greetings, and that in several instances it had been necessary to procure additional quantities.

On motion of Past Supreme Chancellor Brown, "The Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal was authorized to procure and furnish such of these supplies as were called for, also to correct the signatures on certificates and other printed matter to show the names of the present members of the Commission."

#### **Promulgation of Rules and Regulations:**

On motion, it was ordered, "That the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal be and he hereby is authorized and directed to prepare and have printed the Rules and Regulations adopted at this meeting, same to be officially promulgated by the Supreme Chancellor."

#### **All Lodges Must Forward Funds Collected:**

From reports received, and from information at hand, it being shown that several grand lodges and subordinate lodges have moneys on hand belonging to the War Relief Fund, Past Supreme Chancellor Bangs offered the appended resolution, which was unanimously adopted:

*Be It Resolved*, That the Supreme Chancellor and the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal officially notify each grand lodge and the officers charged with the collection of the War Relief Fund, that, under the Supreme Law, all funds heretofore collected are now due and must be immediately transmitted to the Supreme Master of Exchequer, this resolution to apply to all such money whether in the possession of subordinate or grand lodge officers.

#### **Adjournment:**

No further business appearing, the Commission adjourned to meet in accordance with the action taken this day.

A true record,

FRED E. WHEATON, S. K. R. S.

*Secretary Pythian War Relief Commission.*

## REPORT OF THE CUSTODIAN.

WILMINGTON, N. C., October 1, 1918.

*To the Pythian War Relief Commission:*

I beg to submit the following report of the receipts and disbursements on account of the Pythian War Relief Fund for the calendar quarter ending September 30th, 1918:

## RECEIPTS.

July 1st, 1918—

|                                                                                    |              |
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| Received to this date, as per printed report.....                                  | \$192,750.43 |
| Disbursed to same date, exchequer orders 1 to 33 inc., as per printed report ..... | 5,887.96     |

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| Balance on hand, July 1st, 1918..... | \$186,862.47 |
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Sept. 30th, 1918—

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| Received from domains and individuals for quarter ending this date, as per detailed statement hereunder..... | 34,068.58 |
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Interest on Deposits—

|                                     |          |        |
|-------------------------------------|----------|--------|
| Wilmington .....                    | \$650.00 |        |
| Chicago .....                       | 75.40    |        |
| Marengo, Ia. ....                   | 61.75    |        |
|                                     |          | 787.15 |
| Interest on Liberty Loan Bonds..... |          | 893.91 |

|  |              |
|--|--------------|
|  | \$222,612.11 |
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## DISBURSED.

|                                       |    |         |
|---------------------------------------|----|---------|
| Murphy-Travis Co., Printing.....      | 34 | \$72.00 |
| Trexler-Ballentine Co., Printing..... | 35 | 3.00    |
| Juergens-Anderson Co., Medals.....    | 36 | 170.20  |
| Minn. Engraving Co., Etchings.....    | 37 | 28.97   |
|                                       |    | 274.17  |

|                                        |              |
|----------------------------------------|--------------|
| October 1st, 1918—Balance on hand..... | \$222,337.94 |
|----------------------------------------|--------------|

The balance on hand is protected by the following securities:

Liberty Loan Bonds, registered in the name of the Supreme Lodge:

|                                                       |             |
|-------------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| Nos. 3590, 3591, 5290, 5291, 5292, 5293, 6 bonds..... | \$60,000.00 |
| Nos. 39799-39818, 20 bonds.....                       | 20,000.00   |
| With Murchison National Bank, for registration.....   | 20,000.00   |

Certificates of Deposit:

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |           |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| Central Trust Co., No. 11771.....                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 10,000.00 |
| American Bank & Tr. Co., No. 461.....                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 10,000.00 |
| Murchison National Bank, 15811, 15779; Home Savings Bank, 374, 470, 504, 532, 570; Peoples Savings Bank, 1452, 1793, 1837, 1842; Wilmington Savings & Tr. Co., 2104, 2193, 2203, 2204; American Bank & Trust Co., 76, 381, 407, 457, Nineteen Certificates, each \$5,000..... | 95,000.00 |
| Murchison National Bank (Open Acct.).....                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 7,337.94  |

|  |              |
|--|--------------|
|  | \$222,337.94 |
|--|--------------|

The receipts as above noted, \$34,068.58, are credited to domains and individuals, as follows:

|                           |           |                          |                    |
|---------------------------|-----------|--------------------------|--------------------|
| Arkansas .....            | \$ 882.20 | New Mexico .....         | 152.00             |
| California .....          | 2,010.00  | Nebraska .....           | \$ 318.50          |
| Colorado .....            | 568.70    | Oklahoma .....           | 1,500.00           |
| Connecticut .....         | 18.00     | Ohio .....               | 3,762.25           |
| Delaware .....            | 129.00    | Pennsylvania .....       | 1,253.68           |
| District of Columbia..... | 21.00     | Rhode Island .....       | 320.00             |
| Illinois .....            | 59.00     | Saskatchewan .....       | 55.00              |
| Kansas .....              | 124.50    | South Dakota .....       | 211.60             |
| Kentucky .....            | 530.62    | Texas .....              | 734.00             |
| Louisiana .....           | 261.00    | Virginia .....           | 722.50             |
| Massachusetts .....       | 4,970.40  | Washington .....         | 396.50             |
| Maryland .....            | 1,037.86  | West Virginia .....      | 1,964.19           |
| Michigan .....            | 5,000.00  | Wyoming .....            | 16.00              |
| Minnesota .....           | 542.50    | Harry Wade, Ind.....     | 100.00             |
| Mississippi .....         | 31.00     | A. V. Lumpkin, S. C..... | 10.00              |
| Missouri .....            | 1,404.08  | L. L. Claudle, N. C..... | 1.00               |
| New York .....            | 1,650.75  | Nehemiah Candee, Conn..  | 5.00               |
| New Jersey .....          | 2,426.75  | Benj. Moore, Pa.....     | 5.00               |
| North Carolina .....      | 196.00    |                          |                    |
| North Dakota .....        | 678.00    |                          |                    |
|                           |           |                          | <u>\$34,068.58</u> |

Fraternally submitted,

THOS. D. MEARES, *SME*,  
Custodian War Relief Fund.

## REPORT OF CERTIFIED ACCOUNTANT.

WILMINGTON, N. C., October 16, 1918.

*To the Pythian War Relief Commission:*

We have examined the records of Thos. D. Meares, *SME* and Custodian Pythian War Relief Fund, for the three (3) months ended September 30, 1918, and submit herewith the following statement:

### RECEIPTS.

|                                                                                  |                     |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|
| Received from domains and individuals during the three months under review ..... | \$ 34,068.58        |
| Interest on funds deposited—                                                     |                     |
| Wilmington, N. C. ....                                                           | \$650.00            |
| Chicago, Ill. ....                                                               | 75.40               |
| Marengo, Ia. ....                                                                | 61.75               |
|                                                                                  | <u>787.15</u>       |
| Interest on Liberty Loan Bonds.....                                              | 893.91              |
|                                                                                  | <u>\$ 35,749.64</u> |
| Total receipts for three months.....                                             | 188,340.30          |
| Balance on hand July 1, 1918.....                                                |                     |
|                                                                                  | <u>\$224,089.94</u> |

### DISBURSEMENTS.

|                                                       |              |
|-------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Sundry checks No. 1 to 37 inclusive paid by bank..... | 1,752.00     |
| Balance to be accounted for October 1st, 1918.....    | \$222,337.94 |



Deposited and invested as follows:

Liberty Loan Bonds, registered in name of Supreme Lodge:

|                                                    |              |
|----------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| 6 \$10,000.00 Bonds .....                          | \$ 60,000.00 |
| 20 \$1,000.00 Bonds .....                          | 20,000.00    |
| With Murchison National Bank for registration..... | 20,000.00    |

Certificates of Deposit:

|                                                                                                                                                                                                 |           |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| Central Trust Co. (1) .....                                                                                                                                                                     | 10,000.00 |
| American Bank & Trust Co. (1) .....                                                                                                                                                             | 10,000.00 |
| Murchison National Bank (2), Home Savings Bank (5),<br>Peoples Savings Bank (4), Wilmington Savings & Trust<br>Co. (4), American Bank & Trust Co. (4); 19 Certificates<br>of \$5,000 each ..... | 95,000.00 |
| Open account—Murchison National Bank.....                                                                                                                                                       | 7,337.94  |

Total .....\$222,337.94

We hereby certify that the above is a true and correct statement of receipts and disbursements as shown by the records of the SME and that the securities covering balance of funds on hand have been verified by us and are as listed herein. No attempt was made by us to verify receipts by reference to original source, as it is our understanding same is not desired.

Respectfully,

J. B. McCABE & COMPANY,  
Certified Public Accountants.

## STATEMENT OF CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE PYTHIAN WAR RELIEF FUND.

To November 16th, 1918.

|                           | <i>Domain</i> | <i>Personal</i> |
|---------------------------|---------------|-----------------|
| Alabama .....             | \$ 1,550.00   | \$ 46.50        |
| Arizona .....             | 2,116.00      | .....           |
| Arkansas .....            | 1,806.20      | 33.00           |
| Alberta .....             | .....         | .....           |
| British Columbia .....    | 668.50        | 2.50            |
| California .....          | 15,788.90     | 57.50           |
| Colorado .....            | 4,436.00      | 125.00          |
| Connecticut .....         | 797.49        | 17.00           |
| Delaware .....            | 870.00        | 22.00           |
| District of Columbia..... | 735.00        | 10.00           |
| Florida .....             | 2,669.93      | 26.00           |
| Georgia .....             | 1,576.35      | 121.00          |
| Idaho .....               | 1,247.00      | 25.00           |
| Illinois .....            | 10,128.50     | 131.00          |
| Indiana .....             | 3,989.00      | 113.00          |
| Iowa .....                | 13,836.00     | 11.00           |
| Kansas .....              | 869.39        | 18.00           |
| Kentucky .....            | 1,925.17      | 100.00          |
| Louisiana .....           | 2,267.25      | 45.00           |
| Maine .....               | 8,000.00      | 23.00           |
| Manitoba .....            | .....         | 5.00            |
| Maritime Provinces .....  | .....         | 5.00            |
| Maryland .....            | 2,950.61      | 22.00           |

|                                           |              |            |
|-------------------------------------------|--------------|------------|
| Massachusetts .....                       | 5,913.40     | 20.00      |
| Michigan .....                            | 8,000.00     | 43.00      |
| Minnesota .....                           | 3,561.00     | 128.00     |
| Mississippi .....                         | 536.00       | 14.00      |
| Missouri .....                            | 6,984.72     | 16.00      |
| Montana .....                             | 2,034.00     | 16.00      |
| Nebraska .....                            | 2,201.50     | 25.00      |
| Nevada .....                              | 1,799.00     | 20.00      |
| New Hampshire .....                       | 1,521.00     | 24.00      |
| New Jersey .....                          | 8,789.50     | 60.00      |
| New Mexico .....                          | 787.00       | 8.50       |
| New York .....                            | 9,827.75     | 102.00     |
| North Carolina .....                      | 2,345.50     | 114.30     |
| North Dakota .....                        | 2,831.75     | 102.00     |
| Ohio .....                                | 32,607.67    | 41.00      |
| Oklahoma .....                            | 2,799.00     | 49.00      |
| Ontario .....                             | .....        | 21.16      |
| Oregon .....                              | 5,500.00     | 5.00       |
| Pennsylvania .....                        | 15,079.86    | 37.00      |
| Quebec .....                              | .....        | 10.00      |
| Rhode Island .....                        | 1,315.25     | 125.00     |
| Saskatchewan .....                        | 130.50       | .....      |
| South Carolina .....                      | 750.50       | 30.00      |
| South Dakota .....                        | 1,462.60     | 16.00      |
| Tennessee .....                           | 1,623.10     | 29.00      |
| Texas .....                               | 8,222.90     | 37.00      |
| Utah .....                                | 1,199.00     | 26.00      |
| Vermont .....                             | .....        | 13.00      |
| Virginia .....                            | 3,382.75     | 35.00      |
| Washington .....                          | 9,732.25     | 49.00      |
| West Virginia .....                       | 4,851.69     | 10.00      |
| Wisconsin .....                           | 8,448.15     | 46.00      |
| Wyoming .....                             | 989.40       | 47.00      |
| Alaska .....                              | 152.00       | .....      |
| Honolulu .....                            | 348.00       | .....      |
| Hawaii .....                              | 13.00        | .....      |
| Philippines .....                         | 54.00        | .....      |
| Panama Canal .....                        | 128.00       | .....      |
| Pythian Sisters .....                     | 25.00        | .....      |
| D. O. K. K. ....                          | 2,444.11     | 10.00      |
| Americus Lodge, F. & A. M., N. Y. C. .... | .....        | 10.00      |
|                                           | <hr/>        | <hr/>      |
|                                           | \$236,618.14 | \$2,297.46 |

## SECOND REGULAR MEETING.

*(Serial No. 8)*

PHILADELPHIA, PA., January 27, 1919.

Pursuant to call of the Supreme Chancellor, a meeting of the Pythian War Relief Commission was held this day in the "green room" of the Bellevue-Stratford Hotel, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, at 10 o'clock a. m., all members of the Commission being present, as follows:

Charles S. Davis, Supreme Chancellor.  
William Ladew, Supreme Vice Chancellor.  
Fred E. Wheaton, Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal.  
Tracy R. Bangs, Past Supreme Chancellor.  
Thomas J. Carling, Past Supreme Chancellor.  
John J. Brown, Past Supreme Chancellor.  
D. Sidney Woodworth, Supreme Representative, and  
Thomas D. Meares, Supreme Master of Exchequer, custodian of the War Relief Fund.

The following were present as visitors, upon invitation extended the War Relief Councils of neighboring grand domains:

Norval R. Daugherty, GC, Pennsylvania.  
Byron B. Bodle, GVC, Pennsylvania.  
Lemuel Wilt, GKRS, Pennsylvania.  
James A. Steese, SR, Pennsylvania.  
James W. Hutchison, SR, Pennsylvania.  
David P. Reese, SR., Pennsylvania.  
Benjamin Moore, SR, Pennsylvania.  
(and several local officers and past officers representing Philadelphia lodges.)  
J. Percy Golt, GC, Delaware.  
Harry A. Fritz, GVC, Delaware.  
Mark L. Garrett, GKRS, Delaware.  
James J. Cohen, SR, Delaware.  
Theodore V. Simpson, SR, Delaware.  
John W. Carter, GKRS, Kentucky.  
Oleonder H. Pollard, SR, Kentucky.  
R. H. Bell, Jr., GKRS, Virginia.  
George C. Cabell, SR, Virginia.  
Louis H. Schenck, GVC, New Jersey.  
Charles D. Brown, GKRS, South Carolina.

The Supreme Chancellor called the assembly to order, and after briefly outlining the importance of the duties and responsibilities entrusted to the Commission, thanked all present for their interest manifested in the work, and stated that it was the desire of the Commission that the time of this day be taken up for the purpose of receiving reports from grand domains represented, and the interchange of a general discussion on the work relative to the War Relief Fund, with the request that all present participate in the same.

**"Brotherly Love" Courtesies:**

Lemuel Wilt, GKRS of Pennsylvania, requested that an opportunity be given to a representative of the City Government of Philadelphia, "now present," to extend an official and fraternal greeting on behalf of the city. The request was granted, whereupon Brother Wilt introduced the representative of the Mayor.

Hon. Freeland W. Kendrick, City Treasurer of Philadelphia, on behalf of the city, extended a cordial greeting and welcome to the Commission and all visitors in attendance at this meeting. Being himself a "fra-

ternity man," and especially prominent in Masonic circles, he strongly commended fraternal work and influence.

As an earnest of the appreciation of his words of welcome, the Supreme Chancellor, on behalf of the Commission, expressed his thanks to Brother Kendrick, also to the Mayor and the citizens and Pythians of Philadelphia, and declared the conference "at ease," that an opportunity be afforded to personally meet the distinguished visitor.

#### **Kentucky Resolution:**

Supreme Representative Pollard, of Kentucky, on behalf of the War Relief Council of that domain, submitted the appended preambles and resolutions, as expressing the prevailing Pythian thought in said grand domain, with the request that the same be considered by the Commission at such time as would be deemed appropriate:

*Whereas*, The war is practically at an end, and the necessity for a war relief fund has, to a very considerable extent, ceased; and

*Whereas*, The members of the order have responded freely to the appeal promulgated by Supreme Chancellor Brown for voluntary contributions to the war relief fund, resulting in the collection of a fund in excess of a quarter-million dollars; and

*Whereas*, Said fund is deemed more than ample to meet any present, or probable future needs, and it is thought unwise to ask the grand lodges of the several domains, at present, to put into effect a statute making compulsory contributions to the war relief fund; therefore

*Be it Resolved*, That it is the sense of the War Relief Commission that the best interests of the order demand that no effort be made, at present, to put into effect the resolution of the Supreme Lodge fixing a tax of one dollar per capita for this fund; and be it further

*Resolved*, That the Supreme Chancellor be requested to issue such proclamation as in his judgment will relieve grand domains from the necessity of complying with this assessment resolution.

—JOHN W. CARTER, GKRS,  
—OLEONDER H. POLLARD, SR,

*Kentucky.*

Supreme Representative Simpson, of Delaware, asked for information as to the manner in which applications for relief had thus far been received and handled, and upon being advised that all applications were presented on the official forms furnished by the Commission, and, after approval, relief had been extended, he expressed the belief "that applications would be more numerous in the future than has been the experience thus far."

Past Supreme Chancellor Carling, in referring to the care necessary to be exercised in all relief matters, reviewed similar work done under his administration.

The Supreme Master of Exchequer called attention to the certainty that cases demanding relief would be found to be greater in number than many now thought. "This work," he said, "is something that cannot stop with the closing of the war, but must continue so long as need exists, and to the extent of the order's ability to afford relief." He also called attention to the necessities that are quite sure to arise to assist in the "rehabilitation" of our maimed soldier members.

Supreme Representative Cabell, of Virginia, reviewing the important work of administering the fund, suggested that the Commission "outline its plans and purposes" so that members of domain councils might be guided thereby in the prosecution of their work.

Past Supreme Chancellor Bangs gave a general outline of the experience of the order thus far in extending relief to soldier members and their



dependents, calling attention to the fact that all applications for relief must be investigated by relief councils, the Commission acting upon the recommendations made following such investigation, and pointed out several features in the somewhat unusual work comprehended in this undertaking. He stated that there should be "no state rights curtailment," and added, "that while the order may not need as much money for this work as was originally contemplated, whatever amount is needed should be forthcoming."

Supreme Representative Woodworth urged "that methods of expenditure must largely depend upon conditions as they develop, as to the amount or amounts required, and whether the relief shall be temporary or permanent."

Past Supreme Chancellor Carling called attention to the indifference and inactivity of lodges, grand and subordinate, in not promptly remitting collections and reporting to the Commission in response to requests made.

On motion of Supreme Representative Woodworth, it was ordered, "that the consideration of the Kentucky resolution be made a special order at 5 o'clock p. m."

Supreme Representative Simpson, of Delaware, suggested "that each war relief council be requested to report to the Commission the number of domain in their grand domain in the service, and their probable needs from a relief standpoint."

#### **Julius Mountney, Deceased:**

Lemuel Wilt, GKRS of Pennsylvania, formally announced the death of Julius Mountney, grand master of exchequer of that domain, whose funeral would be held this day, and invited the Commission to attend in a body as a mark of respect to one who long had been identified in Pythian work.

The invitation was accepted.

On motion of Supreme Representative Moore, of Pennsylvania, it was ordered, "that when the Commission take recess it be in memory of the late Brother Mountney."

On motion, it was ordered, "that the Commission take recess until 5 o'clock p. m."

#### **AFTERNOON SESSION.**

The Commission reconvened at 5 o'clock p. m., and was called to order by the Supreme Chancellor, all members being present, including practically all of the visitors in attendance at the morning session, and, in addition, Supreme Representative Grossman, of New York.

#### **Special Order:**

In accordance with the action taken at the morning session, the resolution offered by the representatives from Kentucky was taken up for consideration.

Supreme Representative Pollard, of Kentucky, in an extended address, reported conditions in that domain, explaining how the insistence of the relief assessment would seriously impair many of their lodges, and expressed the opinion "that members of the Supreme Lodge at the Detroit convention did not clearly understand what they were doing when they unanimously voted to declare the assessment," qualifying his opinion on the ground that "the members were carried away with patriotic enthusiasm at that time." He urged that the resolution be adopted by the Commission.

Charles D. Brown, GKRS of South Carolina, stated that the situation in his domain was practically the same as in Kentucky, and that he had intended to introduce a similar resolution. In supporting the Kentucky resolution he contended that if his domain should be compelled to contribute an amount equal to one dollar per member, "it would simply mean that the Knights of Pythias must go out of business in South Carolina."

John W. Carter, GKRS of Kentucky, presented a "close up" view of general Pythian conditions in that domain, painting a rather disheartening picture. (Later, during the conference, he told quite a different story, encouraging and optimistic.)

Louis H. Schenck, GVC of New Jersey, suggested that the assessment resolution mentioned only "grand lodges," and might, therefore, be construed as affecting those bodies only, and not against subordinate lodges and individual members, with the further suggestion that the Supreme Chancellor had it within his power "to decide against forcing the collection by reason of the hardship such enforcement would entail upon subordinate lodges."

Supreme Representative Woodworth vigorously contended "that the Commission, as such, is without power to set aside the war relief statutes or the assessment resolution." He took issue with some of the speakers that the collection of this fund ought not and could not be consummated, pointing out that it could be done if proper attention and earnestness were given to the matter in the several domains.

Supreme Representative Simpson, of Delaware, expressed surprise that this conference should take such a turn as is contemplated in the resolution under consideration. He stated that his delegation "came here to counsel with the Commission to the end that the work of raising the relief fund might be more vigorously pushed," and gave assurance that "Delaware will raise its full quota."

Past Supreme Chancellor Bangs, in an interesting talk, pointed out that there was a "happy medium" between the views as expressed by the several speakers, contending that work of this character "ought not and need not be made a hardship," as the amount involved, per capita, was but a slight sum, further stating that, where conditions were such, in remote cases, that the full quota per lodge could not be raised, "the spirit and purpose of the legislation could be deemed as having been complied with."

Supreme Representative Grossman, of New York, in an earnest and forceful address, held to the views expressed by Supreme Representative Woodworth, that "the Commission was without power to set aside the legislation of the Supreme Lodge." He took issue with the statement that the members of the Supreme Lodge "did not know what they were doing" in passing the war relief statutes and resolution, and contended "that the Commission and the grand domains must go ahead with this work," and when it shall be found that any domain cannot comply with the conditions of the assessment resolution, then it might be in order "to get an expression from the members of the Supreme Lodge as to the advisability of enforcing the law."

Supreme Representative Cabell, of Virginia, asked for information "as to how war relief councils may ascertain the probable relief needs as contemplated in this undertaking." He was answered by the Supreme Chancellor, who stated that "the proper way to reach the ends desired is that lodges shall investigate and report on each case of need, as found, and that the war relief council report to the Commission, with their recommendations."

Supreme Representative Cabell offered the suggestion "that the Commission place at the disposal of some Pythian official at points of arrival

of returning soldiers from overseas, funds sufficient to extend prompt and immediate relief, or financial aid, to such soldiers."

After a brief exchange of views on this suggestion, and general subjects, it was ordered, "that the Commission take recess until 10 o'clock a. m., January 28."

## SECOND DAY.

### MORNING SESSION.

The Commission reassembled at 10 o'clock a. m., Tuesday, January 28, and was called to order by the Supreme Chancellor, all members being present, including a number of the visitors in attendance the preceding day, and, in addition, Supreme Outer Guard Henry M. Wadsworth.

### Conference Resumed:

The Supreme Chancellor stated that, owing to the fact that the business before the "conference" could not be concluded during the first day, this session would be devoted to a continuance of the general discussion.

Supreme Vice Chancellor Ladew called attention to the provisions of the war relief statutes defining the specific purposes for which the fund is being raised, and suggested that, in order to act promptly in emergency cases, authority be given to grand chancellors to make "sight drafts" on the Supreme Master of Exchequer.

Supreme Representative Cabell, of Virginia, recommended "that rule 7 be amended so as to provide that \$500 be transferred to war relief councils, as needed, said transfer of funds to be by sight draft."

In consideration of the foregoing recommendation, the suggestion was made that a "new rule" be added to the "rules and regulations," same to provide "that the maximum amount of relief in any individual case shall not exceed the sum of \$200, except by unanimous vote of the Commission."

Supreme Representative Pollard, of Kentucky, referring to the duty of administering the fund, expressed "the utmost confidence in the Commission in dealing with every application presented."

Supreme Outer Guard Wadsworth counselled against "fixing any definite rule limiting relief in individual cases to \$200," in which position he was supported by Supreme Representative Pollard.

John W. Carter, GKRS of Kentucky, in a particularly happy address, stated that he wanted "to correct any possible impression that Kentucky was opposing the assessment resolution." He called attention to the fact that a great many of the members of the order in his domain had not been personally approached regarding this matter. In further reviewing conditions "back home," he stated that "this year will be one of the most successful years in the Pythian history of Kentucky," and concluded by extending a cordial invitation to the Commission "to meet in Lexington, June 9th and 10th, at the time of the annual convention of the grand lodge."

Supreme Representative Cabell, in referring to what already has been done in raising the fund, stated "that the order has done well, is worthy of high commendation, but it can do better." He pointed out that, in some respects, the order was too much given to "cheapness."

Past Supreme Chancellor Bangs called attention to the higher measure of interest shown in this undertaking in some domains, as against other domains where the disposition to take hold of the work had not been as earnest or as insistent.

The discussion having tended toward the general lines of the good of the order, the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal called attention

to "the need of reorganization and rehabilitation of many lodges that are in a dormant state," and cited the well-known fact that "paper lodges" were more or less existing in the several domains, many of which were annually delinquent with their reports. "As units in the Pythian family, such lodges do not, and cannot function in sustaining the life and activities of the order, as an institution."

The Supreme Chancellor, commending the increased activity now prevailing throughout the order, stated, "that progress and prosperity only can be realized when earnest, practical work, is done in each grand domain."

Lemuel Wilt, GKRS of Pennsylvania, suggested "that a 4-page circular-letter be prepared by the Commission, setting forth the work done and to be done, said circular to have one or two blank pages upon which grand lodges could print their endorsement and give such other information as would be helpful in encouraging subordinate lodges to give the fund movement their immediate attention." He told of the work in his domain, and stated that he had on hand \$1,200 of relief fund contributions, for delivery to the Supreme Master of Exchequer, in addition to the amount already forwarded.

Supreme Representative Woodworth announced that, since the last meeting of the Commission, he had "joined the Dokies," and was especially pleased to commend and endorse the DOKK "as an invigorator for the order at large."

Past Supreme Chancellor Carling urged "that more attention be given to our splendid auxiliaries, the DOKK and the Pythian Sisters."

Norval R. Daugherty, GC of Pennsylvania, referring directly to the war relief fund, urged "that there be prepared and promulgated a more complete and definite statement as to the uses and purposes of the fund." Speaking on behalf of the Keystone domain, he expressed his thanks to the Commission for holding its meeting in Philadelphia, and for the co-operation of its members with the local committee in making the "victory celebration last evening such a pronounced success."

Supreme Representative Pollard, of Kentucky, urged that the Commission accept the invitation to hold its next meeting in Lexington, in June, 1919.

The Supreme Chancellor, in a brief address, on behalf of the Commission, thanked the representatives of the several domains for their presence and co-operation, and declared the "conference" closed.

On motion, it was ordered "that the Commission take recess until 2:30 p. m."

#### AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Commission reassembled at 2:30 p. m., January 28, in room 215, Bellevue-Stratford Hotel, and was called to order by the Supreme Chancellor, all members being present.

#### Approval of Minutes:

On motion of Supreme Representative Woodworth, "the official minutes of the regular meeting held in Chicago, October 28-29, 1918, were approved as printed."

#### Iowa Resolutions:

The Supreme Chancellor presented and read the resolutions adopted by the war relief council of Iowa, stating that he "understood that a copy of this communication had been sent to the relief council of each grand domain."

The subject matter of this resolution and communication was briefly discussed, the general comment being that the war relief council of Iowa



had acted unwisely in promulgating a communication of this character, with special reference to certain expressions therein contained.

#### **General Statement Authorized:**

With reference to correspondence that had passed between members of the Commission since its last meeting, and consultation with and communications from grand lodge officers and other prominent members of the order, the matter of issuing a general statement to the order at large was taken up for consideration—resulting in the unanimous adoption of the appended resolution:

*Whereas*, The members of the Commission, by consultation and otherwise, have had under consideration numerous matters with reference to the war relief fund, and are well advised of the uncertainty that exists among grand and subordinate lodges by reason of the cessation of hostilities following the last convention of the Supreme Lodge; now, therefore—

*Be it Resolved*, That a general statement be prepared and sent to all grand lodges, in quantity sufficient to furnish at least one copy thereof to each subordinate lodge, setting forth the position of the War Relief Commission with reference to the prosecution of the work of raising the fund, making expenditures therefrom, the powers and duties of the Commission in the administration of this trust, together with such recommendations as shall be agreed upon, said statement to contain the names of all members of the Commission.

#### **Soldier Exemption:**

The matter of asking or expecting members of the order in the service to individually contribute to the war relief fund, was taken up, and discussed at length, whereupon Past Supreme Chancellor Bangs offered the following preambles and resolution, which was unanimously adopted:

*Whereas*, The question of excluding from the membership of grand domains the members of the order in the military and naval service of the United States, Canada, or any of the allied nations, in determining the basis for assessment for war relief, has been presented to this Commission; and

*Whereas*, It is manifest, from the reading of the resolution adopted by the Supreme Lodge, August, 1918, that full credit was to be given for contributions made; and

*Whereas*, No contribution is so great as that of actual participation in the military and naval service of the country; now therefore

*Be it Resolved*, That, in determining the membership of a grand domain or a subordinate lodge under immediate control, for the purposes of assessment thereunder, all members in the actual military or naval service of the United States, Canada or any of the allied nations, are excluded in the making of such compilation.

#### **Rules and Regulations Amended:**

In accordance with the consideration given the preceding day to the matter of extending relief in emergency cases, rule 7 of the "rules and regulations" was unanimously amended so as to read as follows—(the amendments consisting of the words in *italics*:

*Rule 7.* It is hereby declared to be the desire of the Commission that each application for relief shall receive prompt attention, to the end that every urgent case may be afforded necessary relief with as little delay as possible. In order that this rule shall be strictly adhered to, each War Relief Council is authorized, after due investigation, to *authorize* financial aid to an amount not exceeding \$50.00 for each urgent application, not

exceeding ten in number nor a total sum in excess of \$500; and, within the restrictions of this rule, the grand chancellor of any grand domain may, in case of emergency, draw by sight draft on the Supreme Master of Exchequer for the amount allowed in each case, attaching to such draft a brief statement of the case.

The following proposed new rules were taken up for consideration, and were adopted by unanimous vote:

*Rule 9.* Any lodge that shall have paid, as its contribution to the War Relief Fund, the amount required and equal to its total membership, exclusive of the number of members in the military or naval service, shall be deemed to have paid its quota in full.

*Rule 10.* No individual application shall receive a sum greater than \$100.00 unless by unanimous consent of all members of the Commission present at the meeting at which the application is acted upon.

### Communications:

The Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal submitted and read correspondence received by him from several grand domains, asking information, making suggestions, etc., from which the general subject matter thereof is shown hereunder:

*Ohio:* Estimated that this domain has 5,000 members in the service, and asking if it was expected that contributions should be requested from said soldier members. Statement of work being done to raise money, and that remittances to the Supreme Master of Exchequer were made monthly. Advising the Commission that they had fixed July, 1917, as the date for computing assessment on membership basis, but stating that the grad lodge could not levy the assessment until its regular convention in June next.

*Pennsylvania:* Communication from Conshohocken Lodge No. 117 making a "temporary protest" against the assessment, expressing the view that the Supreme Lodge "has no authority to make assessments of this character," and stating that they had been "hard hit" by the "flu."

*Indiana:* Communication from St. George Lodge No. 143, Evansville, questioning the "advisability" of raising the relief fund, and stating that the lodge had decided "to take no part" in the matter, the lodge preferring to "use its own judgment" in caring for the relief of soldier members, also raising the question as to the right of the Supreme Lodge to levy an assessment.

*Manitoba:* Letter from the grand chancellor making inquiry as to date of fixing membership basis; whether the assessment applied "to men in active service"; what "penalty," if any, would be imposed should a grand domain be unable to qualify; and stating that they would have "considerable trouble in convincing the members of the wisdom of contributing to this fund."

*Michigan:* Letter from GKRS transmitting communication from Kalamazoo Lodge No. 5, to the effect that the lodge was "without knowledge" as to the purposes for which the fund would be used, making inquiry as to the rules and regulations that would govern its administration, and stating that an endeavor would be made to collect their quota.

Letter from GKRS referring to membership basis, and asking "that soldier members be exempted" from paying the assessment. Another letter transmitting a communication from the department of labor suggesting that the order's relief fund be used for "reconstruction work" in behalf of soldiers incapacitated, and that, if such step be undertaken by the Commission that a "training school" be established at Kalamazoo."

*Mississippi:* Communication from the GKRS asking if information was available as to the number of casualties, whether the fund was needed

at this time and under existing circumstances, and urging a referendum vote to stay the collection as contemplated in the assessment resolution.

*Illinois:* Communication from Ellsworth Lodge No. 114, Chicago, asking if it is necessary for lodges to assess their members.

*Montana:* Statement by the GKRS that it will be "impossible to collect any money from a few lodges," and expressing the opinion that the membership basis for computing the assessment should be as of the date of December 31, 1918.

*Ontario:* Communication from the GKRS to the effect that they would undertake collection when semi-annual reports are made, at the rate of 50 cents per member, January and July, 1919.

*Missouri:* Inquiry from the GKRS as to "grape vine" rumor that the Commission contemplates the erection of a "monument" at the expense of the relief fund.

*Tennessee:* Tendering the use of "Ovoca" to the Commission should it be decided to assist soldiers in "reconstruction."

*Texas:* Letter from GKRS stating total amount thus far raised and forwarded; that some lodges had gone "over the top," while others had made no contribution, among the latter being "some of our largest lodges"; making inquiry as to "penalty for failure," and stating that, with the war over, "it will be still harder to collect" for the fund.

#### **War Relief Councils:**

The secretary submitted and read proceedings and circulars as received from the War Relief Councils of the following grand domains: Oklahoma, Iowa, Mississippi, California, Maryland, Rhode Island and South Carolina.

#### **Telegram from West Virginia:**

A telegram was received from Elbert W. Bush, GC of West Virginia, stating that, owing to sickness, he was unable to attend this meeting of the Commission, and expressing his greetings.

#### **Recess Ordered:**

On motion, it was ordered, "that the Commission take recess until 8:30 p. m."

#### **EVENING SESSION.**

The Commission reassembled at 8:30 p. m. and was called to order by the Supreme Chancellor, all members being present.

The Supreme Chancellor submitted correspondence received by him asking for information, and reporting conditions relative to the collection and administration of the fund, the most of which correspondence was a duplication of the subject matter previously noted in the correspondence reported by the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal.

#### **Indiana Queries:**

Communications from Robert A. Brown, GKRS of Indiana, were submitted, in which two points were especially emphasized, as requests for information from the war relief council of said domain:

- (a) What disposition will be made with the unexpended balance of the War Relief Fund in the hands of the Commission?
- (b) Should not the one dollar per capita assessment be fixed on the basis of the official membership as reported for the year ending December 31, 1918?

In considering the first question (par. a), the Commission unanimously held that this matter rested entirely with the Supreme Lodge, the

opinion of the Commission being that any unexpended balance, upon the conclusion of relief work, naturally should be returned to the donors.

In considering the second question (par. b), the Commission held that it could not do otherwise than accept the membership as reported on December 31, 1917, as the basis for computing the amount to be collected in the several grand domains, from the fact that such was the "official membership" of the order when the Supreme Lodge adopted the assessment resolution. Further, several domains, and many lodges, already had collected and proceeded on this membership basis. It also was shown that an injustice might be done many lodges that already had "paid in full" on the December, 1917, membership. The further view was held by the Commission that all such questions, and all similar conditions, very easily could be explained at the proper time, with the full knowledge that the Supreme Lodge would satisfactorily adjust any misunderstanding that might arise in any domain.

### **Co-Operation with DOKK:**

With reference to the resolution of the Commission (see p. 11, minutes of the Chicago meeting, October 29, 1918), the Supreme Chancellor submitted and read the very excellent report made by Brother H. V. Nice to Imperial Prince Leroy R. Snowden, who had investigated in Washington the matter of fraternal co-operation in service work.

This report of Brother Nice was conceded to be an admirable document, one of the best of its character, and on motion of Past Supreme Chancellor Brown, it was ordered, "that a synopsis of this report be published in the minutes of this meeting."

### **SYNOPSIS.**

The report of Brother Nice showed that he had interviewed Government officials in Washington on the suggestion that fraternal societies maintain headquarters in that city for the purpose of co-operating with the Government in relief and service work, and found that any such suggestion was impracticable, the Government having rightfully determined "to recognize seven organizations through which assistance might be extended to soldiers and sailors," and supported this rule with abundant testimony as to its fairness and better efficiency.

He stated that the sovereign grand lodge of the IOOF had appropriated \$75,000 for similar relief work, that a commission representing said order held a meeting in Baltimore, reviewed the entire situation, and directed that no such work be undertaken, and recommending that the money contributed be returned to the donors.

The report further stated "that the greatest opportunity for real service and maximum beneficial results will come after demobilization," when the several fraternities then could reach their needy soldier members with direct and practical assistance.

After very carefully reviewing the whole situation, Brother Nice submitted the following suggestions:

1. That headquarters be not established at Washington or elsewhere, but that all work be done through the office of the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal.

2. That the War Relief Commission, through the various grand domains, procure a roster of all members of the order who were in the armed service of their respective countries.

3. That each subordinate lodge be directed to get in touch with those of its members who are serving their country, and the families of those who have died in the cause, for the purpose of ascertaining just what, if anything, can be done, financially or otherwise, to ameliorate or better such conditions as may exist.



4. That, upon receipt of such information by the subordinate lodge, it should be forwarded immediately through the respective grand domain to the War Relief Commission.

5. That the War Relief Commission, upon receipt of such information, shall at once take such action as the facts may require and circumstances permit.

On motion of Supreme Representative Woodworth, it was ordered, "that the Supreme Chancellor and the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal formulate such measures as may be necessary to carry out recommendations and suggestions looking to practical relief work, similar to the plans indicated in Brother Nice's report."

#### **General Statement by Commission:**

Referring to the resolution under the side-head, "General Statement Authorized" (see p. 30, these minutes), which statement is to be prepared under the direction of Past Supreme Chancellor Bangs, it was ordered that "said statement be included in the minutes of this meeting, in addition to its separate publication, provided it was not deemed necessary or expedient to publish the minutes of this meeting prior to the preparation of said statement."

#### **Financial:**

The Supreme Master of Exchequer reported receipts of the War Relief Fund from January 1st to January 25th, 1919, amounting to a total of \$4,003.35.

A letter received from the GKRS of New York reported receipts through his office amounting to \$11,216.75; remitted to the Supreme Master of Exchequer, \$9,828.75; cash on hand, \$1,388; and stating that "other monies had been remitted direct to the SME, of which I have no account."

Statement by Delaware: Membership, 1,929; collected \$1,400.50; remitted, \$1,164.50; cash on hand, \$236; balance to be collected, \$528.50. Representatives from this domain, the preceding day, stated that "the full amount will be collected."

#### **Next Meeting of Commission:**

The question of "where and when the next meeting of the Commission should be held," was taken up and discussed, and, on motion of Past Supreme Chancellor Brown, it was ordered, "that the next meeting of the Commission be held in Kansas City, Missouri, commencing April 18, 1919," subject to the call of the Supreme Chancellor, and as the exigencies of the general situation may determine.

No further business appearing, the meeting adjourned.

A true record,

FRED E. WHEATON, S. K. R. S.

*Secretary Pythian War Relief Commission.*

#### **IMPORTANT STATEMENT BY THE WAR RELIEF COMMISSION.**

*Whereas*, There has come to the Pythian War Relief Commission from different parts of the Supreme Domain evidence of much uncertainty in the minds of a great many of the members of the order as to—

1. *Purpose and need of the War Relief Fund.*
2. *Effect of the Armistice, if any, upon the necessity for such fund.*
3. *Power of the Commission with respect to the use and distribution of the fund.*
4. *Probable disposition of surplus, if any.*
5. *Power of the Commission with respect to assessments ordered by the Supreme Lodge.*
6. *What action should be taken in the light of prevailing conditions.*

*And Whereas*, The members of the Commission have deemed it advisable to place clearly before the entire membership the exact conditions with respect to all the matters hereinbefore referred to; now therefore

*Be it Resolved*, That, to remove the uncertainty existing, to clarify the situation with respect to the powers and duties of the Pythian War Relief Commission, to explain the attitude of the Commission, and to place this important matter fully, but succinctly, before the general membership, the Commission requests that the following statement be promulgated through the several War Relief Councils and grand lodge officers, that it may reach every lodge, and as many members of the order as possible:

*First. PURPOSE OF THE FUND.* The purpose of the War Relief Fund is so clearly set forth in section 76h of chapter xiv, of the Supreme statutes, adopted at the August, 1918, convention of the Supreme Lodge, that there should be no question in the mind of anyone who reads the statute as quoted hereunder:

76h. The War Relief Fund shall be used only for the financial relief of members of the order who have or will become disabled while engaged in war service with the military and naval forces of the United States or Canada, or their allied forces, or with any recognized welfare service unit actively associated with such forces, and for the relief of the family and dependents of such member.

We hold, in interpreting this section, that the fund can be used for the relief of families and dependents of members of the order who are, or have been, engaged in war service with the military or naval forces, or with any recognized welfare service unit actively associated with such forces, and for the relief of members of the order who become disabled while engaged in any such service.

With respect to the need of the fund, we call the attention of the members to the fact that there were approximately two million men in the service of the United States in France, with more than a million in camps in this country.

The casualties amount to over three hundred thousand. It is estimated that there were over fifty thousand members of the Knights of Pythias from the United States in the service in France; or, to put it in other words, we had more than one man in every forty. Carrying that average through the casualties, it can readily be seen that the Knights of Pythias must have had a casualty list of approximately 7,500 in the armed forces of the United States.

Army hospitals, both in this country and abroad, are filled to capacity. It is true that the Government furnishes care to disabled soldiers while in hospitals, and some meed of relief to those who are discharged, if still suffering some disability, but it is inadequate for anything like complete relief and does not reach anywhere near its desired end in the case of a soldier with dependents, while to those in auxiliary service there is no Government insurance.

The extent of the relief required cannot now be estimated; in fact, cannot be known until all have been returned to this country.

In giving the figures above we have not taken into consideration the members of our order in the service from Canada, and the membership must bear in mind that the casualty list in Canada is proportionately much larger than in the Army of the United States.

While it is too early now to estimate the extent of the needs, it is, however, none too early to make the fullest preparation to supply every need when ascertained.

*It seems, therefore, incumbent upon the members of this order to urge voluntary contributions in any amount, large or small, until at least the minimum of \$500,000 is at hand.*

*Second. EFFECT OF ARMISTICE.* The signing of the armistice, in fact even the signing of a peace agreement, would not terminate the possible need for this relief fund.

The signing of the armistice and the termination of active hostilities, will, of course, reduce the contemplated number of casualties. It draws the line after which casualties will be few indeed, but it has no effect upon the casualties already suffered.

*Third.—USE OF FUNDS.* Reports have been circulated from time to time that it was intended to use the fund for the establishment of some character of institutions, or the erection of a monument or monuments, or for some such like purpose. Such reports cannot be honestly circulated by any intelligent member of the order, because anyone who has been sufficiently interested to know such a fund was being raised, would be able to read the statute and to read the literature that was put out by the Supreme Chancellor prior to the enactment of the statute, and would know that the fund can be used only for the purpose set forth in section 76h, hereinbefore quoted.

*Fourth. DISPOSITION OF SURPLUS.* All funds raised, whether by voluntary contribution or by assessment, belong to and are under the control of the Supreme Lodge. This Commission has no power outside of that given in the law creating it, which power has already been referred to in this communication.

When this Commission has discharged its duty in aiding those entitled to relief, and has made its report to the Supreme Lodge, the balance or surplus left on hand will be entirely subject to the disposition of the Supreme Lodge.

This Commission is not in position where it can predicate action on the part of the Supreme Lodge, but the members of the Commission fraternally and respectfully suggest to the membership of the order at large that, in view of the fact that this fund is subscribed and paid for a particular purpose, when the reason for that purpose has passed, there would seem to be but one course to pursue, namely, to return the balance to the grand lodges in such proportion as it was contributed, with direction that it be returned in like manner to the subordinate lodges.

*Fifth. THE ASSESSMENT RESOLUTION.* It was the hope, at the time of the passage of the assessment resolution, that the patriotism and interest of the members of the order would be such that the amount called for would be paid in by voluntary contributions, and thus obviate the necessity of putting the assessment resolution into effect. At the present time only two domains—Nevada and North Dakota—have remitted to the Supreme Master of Exchequer the full amount called for according to their membership. It is understood that in several domains large sums have been collected under the voluntary plan, but that the money has not been remitted to the Supreme Master of Exchequer, and in this connection we desire to call the attention of all grand lodges to section 76d, which provides:

*76d.* The War Relief Council of each domain shall direct the collection of all moneys for the War Relief Fund and see that such moneys, when collected, are promptly forwarded to the proper officials as herein-after provided. The expenses of the council shall be borne by the grand domain in which such council is located.

We desire also to call attention to section 76e, in which is provided:

*76e.* All moneys collected from any source for the War Relief Fund shall be transmitted immediately to the grand keeper of records and seal in the domain in which contribution is made, and he shall, on the first day of each month, transmit the same to the Supreme Master of Exchequer, etc.

We call attention to these sections in order that grand lodge officers and the members of the War Relief Council may have again called to

mind the duty that devolves upon each of them with respect to this War Relief Fund, in the hope that these officers will see that the law is complied with in this respect.

*Sixth. SUGGESTED ACTION.* In view of the reports from various domains and different sections of the country, all tending to show that because of the great financial strain of the past few years, and especially the drain of the last past few months by reason of the influenza epidemic, it is quite impossible in many domains to enforce the assessment plan without doing serious injury to the order, *the Commission has decided to recommend that the Supreme Chancellor, by a referendum vote of the members of the Supreme Lodge, secure the decision of that body upon a plan to suspend the assessment ordered until such time as the demands for relief work shall make it absolutely necessary.*

The Supreme Chancellor has already indicated the desirability of the referendum vote and the suspension of the assessment.

*FINALLY.* The members of this commission have endeavored in every way to carry out the will of the order as evidenced by Supreme Lodge legislation, August, 1918.

*In carrying out the spirit and the letter, we have interpreted the statute to exclude from assessment, members of the order in the active service in the Army and Naval forces in the United States or any of its allies.*

We have endeavored to so shape the rules and regulations, which we were ordered to adopt by the Supreme Lodge, that the collection, the handling and the disposition of this fund, could be carried on with as little inconvenience as possible, and at the same time do the greatest good.

It should be borne in mind that the recommendation for a referendum vote to suspend the assessment resolution does not mean the cessation of activities to collect the fund. *All grand lodges, subordinate lodges, and individual members are appealed to and urged to continue the work of voluntary contributions along the lines of the general call for a fund equal to one dollar per member.*

Attention is called to the fact that the Commission has amended the rules and regulations with reference to extending relief in emergency cases, by *authorizing the grand chancellor to make a sight draft on the Supreme Master of Exchequer for immediate relief not exceeding \$50.00 for any one case.*

Applications for relief, coming in the ordinary manner, are made out on forms furnished by the Commission. *Wherever and whenever any lodge has knowledge that relief is needed by a soldier member, or his dependent, the information immediately should be reported to the grand chancellor or grand keeper of records and seal, who will supply the necessary form-blanks.*

Fraternally submitted,

CHARLES S. DAVIS,  
Supreme Chancellor,  
WILLIAM LADEW,  
Supreme Vice Chancellor,  
FRED E. WHEATON,  
Supreme Keeper of Records & Seal,  
THOMAS J. CARLING,  
Past Supreme Chancellor,  
TRACY R. BANGS,  
Past Supreme Chancellor,  
JOHN J. BROWN,  
Past Supreme Chancellor,  
D. SIDNEY WOODWORTH,  
Supreme Representative.



## FINANCIAL STATEMENT

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*Note*—Herewith follows in full the complete financial statement issued by the Commission early in January, 1920, as compiled to January 1st, giving a complete accounting of the War Relief Fund up to that date:

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### FOREWORD.

*To the Supreme Chancellor and Members of the  
Pythian War Relief Commission:*

#### GREETING:

Without doubt, every member of the Supreme Lodge and the War Relief Council of each grand domain will appreciate receiving this statement showing the financial transactions of the War Relief Commission in the administration of the Pythian War Relief Fund.

This report, therefore, has been prepared for the purpose of affording an opportunity at this time to review this important work, and deals mainly with financial matters and statistics. In its preparation, it has been deemed best to present, in a concise manner, detailed statements of receipts by grand domains, and disbursements for expenses and relief, from the beginning of the War Relief Fund movement.

As is well known, there have been no meetings of the Commission held since January, 1919, and for the very good reason that no occasion has arisen to warrant the incurring of the expenses necessary to call the Commission together.

This report is preliminary to the formal and official report that the Commission will prepare and submit to the Supreme Lodge at its regular biennial convention in August, 1920.

Fraternally submitted,

FRED E. WHEATON, S. K. R. S.

Minneapolis, Minnesota,  
January 1, 1920.

*Secretary  
Pythian War Relief Commission.*

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### GENERAL STATEMENT.

SUPREME GOVERNMENT KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS,  
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,  
DENVER, COLORADO, JANUARY 1, 1920.

*To Members of the Supreme Lodge and the  
War Relief Council of each Grand Domain:*

#### BROTHERS:

The within statement of the Pythian War Relief Commission with respect to the War Relief Fund, as herewith presented, shows the collections and disbursements, funds invested, securities, depositaries, and cash on deposit to the credit of the Pythian War Relief Fund.

This statement is intended to furnish the order with an accounting of the War Relief Fund from its inception and up to and including the quarter ended December 31, 1919.

The observation is made of the very satisfactory and fortunate condition existing among members of the order who became disabled while engaged in war service with the military and naval forces of the United States and Canada, or their allied forces, and the families and dependents of such members. This condition is made evident from the fact of the comparatively small number of applications that have been presented for relief. All applications received have been promptly acted upon by the War Relief Commission.

The widest range of publicity and information has been given and promulgated throughout the order, not only as regards the collection of the Fund, but the manner in which it is to be applied and the uses thereof under and by virtue of the statutes adopted by the Supreme Lodge at the convention of 1918, creating the Pythian War Relief Commission and defining the manner of the administration of the Relief Fund—"to be used only for the financial relief of members of the order who have become disabled while engaged in war service with the military or naval forces of the United States, or their allied forces, or with any recognized welfare service unit actively associated with such forces, and for relief of the families and dependents of such members."

Fraternally submitted,  
CHARLES S. DAVIS,  
*Supreme Chancellor.*

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*Exhibit "A"*

GENERAL REPORT OF CUSTODIAN

WILMINGTON, NORTH CAROLINA, JANUARY 1, 1920.

*To the Pythian War Relief Commission:*

I have the honor to submit the following statement of the gross receipts and disbursements of the Pythian War Relief Fund from its inception to this date:

RECEIPTS

|                                                                                                                |                     |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|
| From grand lodges, subordinate lodges and individuals, as per consolidated statement shown in Exhibit "B"..... | \$308,047.27        |
| From interest on certificates of deposit, \$15,000 at 3 per cent, balance at 4 per cent.....                   | 6,485.98            |
| From interest on United States Bonds, 4¼ to 4¾%.....                                                           | 9,443.61            |
| <b>Total receipts.....</b>                                                                                     | <b>\$323,976.86</b> |

DISBURSEMENTS

|                                                  |              |
|--------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Total disbursed as per exhibits "C" and "D"..... | \$ 8,810.31  |
| Balance on hand January 1, 1920.....             | \$315,166.55 |

Fraternally submitted,  
THOMAS D. MEARES,  
*Supreme Master of Exchequer.*

*Exhibit "B"*

## WAR RELIEF FUND RECEIPTS

Herewith is submitted a statement of the gross receipts of the War Relief Fund from subordinate lodges and individuals, by grand domains, from the inception of the movement up to and including December 31, 1919:

| DOMAIN                    | Lodges       | Individuals | Total        |
|---------------------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|
| Alabama.....              | \$ 1,987 74  | \$ 46 50    | \$ 2,034 24  |
| Arizona.....              | 2,211 00     | .....       | 2,211 00     |
| Arkansas.....             | 1,912 25     | 33 00       | 1,945 25     |
| British Columbia.....     | 668 50       | 2 50        | 671 00       |
| California.....           | 18,468 45    | 57 50       | 18,525 95    |
| Colorado.....             | 5,287 50     | 125 00      | 5,412 50     |
| Connecticut.....          | 3,128 21     | 17 00       | 3,145 21     |
| Delaware.....             | 1,580 50     | 22 00       | 1,602 50     |
| District of Columbia..... | 743 00       | 10 00       | 753 00       |
| Florida.....              | 3,253 93     | 26 00       | 3,279 93     |
| Georgia.....              | 1,937 05     | 121 00      | 2,058 05     |
| Idaho.....                | 1,421 00     | 25 00       | 1,446 00     |
| Illinois.....             | 14,314 42    | 131 00      | 14,445 42    |
| Indiana.....              | 26,907 15    | 114 00      | 27,021 15    |
| Iowa.....                 | 13,836 00    | 11 00       | 13,847 00    |
| Kansas.....               | 869 39       | 18 00       | 887 39       |
| Kentucky.....             | 2,005 17     | 100 00      | 2,105 17     |
| Louisiana.....            | 2,267 25     | 45 00       | 2,312 25     |
| Maine.....                | 8,000 00     | 23 00       | 8,023 00     |
| Manitoba.....             | .....        | 5 00        | 5 00         |
| Maritime Provinces.....   | .....        | 5 00        | 5 00         |
| Maryland.....             | 3,629 61     | 22 00       | 3,651 61     |
| Massachusetts.....        | 5,913 40     | 20 00       | 5,933 40     |
| Michigan.....             | 10,000 00    | 43 00       | 10,043 00    |
| Minnesota.....            | 3,703 75     | 128 00      | 3,831 75     |
| Mississippi.....          | 900 40       | 14 00       | 914 40       |
| Missouri.....             | 7,191 22     | 16 00       | 7,207 22     |
| Montana.....              | 2,391 50     | 16 00       | 2,407 50     |
| Nebraska.....             | 2,201 50     | 25 00       | 2,226 50     |
| Nevada.....               | 1,799 00     | 20 00       | 1,819 00     |
| New Hampshire.....        | 2,336 00     | 24 00       | 2,360 00     |
| New Jersey.....           | 10,552 00    | 60 00       | 10,612 00    |
| New Mexico.....           | 880 00       | 8 50        | 888 50       |
| New York.....             | 13,508 00    | 112 00      | 13,620 00    |
| North Carolina.....       | 2,361 50     | 114 30      | 2,475 80     |
| North Dakota.....         | 2,831 75     | 102 00      | 2,933 75     |
| Ohio.....                 | 44,331 36    | 41 00       | 44,372 36    |
| Oklahoma.....             | 2,799 00     | 49 00       | 2,848 00     |
| Ontario.....              | .....        | 21 16       | 21 16        |
| Oregon.....               | 6,500 00     | 5 00        | 6,505 00     |
| Pennsylvania.....         | 19,057 61    | 37 00       | 19,094 61    |
| Quebec.....               | 439 00       | 10 00       | 449 00       |
| Rhode Island.....         | 1,976 25     | 125 00      | 2,101 25     |
| South Carolina.....       | 750 50       | 30 00       | 780 50       |
| South Dakota.....         | 1,591 60     | 16 00       | 1,607 60     |
| Tennessee.....            | 2,627 35     | 29 00       | 2,656 35     |
| Texas.....                | 8,782 90     | 37 00       | 8,819 90     |
| Utah.....                 | 1,199 00     | 26 00       | 1,225 00     |
| Vermont.....              | 800 00       | 13 00       | 813 00       |
| Virginia.....             | 3,382 75     | 35 00       | 3,417 75     |
| Washington.....           | 10,530 75    | 49 00       | 10,579 75    |
| West Virginia.....        | 5,567 69     | 10 00       | 5,577 69     |
| Wisconsin.....            | 8,948 65     | 46 00       | 8,994 65     |
| Wyoming.....              | 1,228 90     | 47 00       | 1,275 90     |
| Alaska.....               | 125 00       | .....       | 125 00       |
| Hawaii.....               | 535 00       | .....       | 535 00       |
| Philippine Islands.....   | 58 00        | .....       | 58 00        |
| Canal Zone.....           | 206 25       | .....       | 206 25       |
| Saskatchewan.....         | 199 25       | .....       | 199 25       |
| D. O. K. K.....           | 3,088 86     | 10 00       | 3,098 86     |
| Mrs. Mildred Hopkins..... | .....        | 25 00       | 25 00        |
|                           | \$305,723 81 | \$ 2,323 46 | \$308,047 27 |

*Exhibit "C"*

## EXPENSES PAID FROM WAR RELIEF FUND

In the report of the Supreme Master of Exchequer, custodian of the War Relief Fund, there is shown on page 263, O. R. 1918, a list of expenditures for supplies and expenses up to the time of the preparation of said report. To the end that readers of this report may have before them the complete statement of all financial transactions since the inception of the Fund movement, there is listed hereunder all expenses of the Commission up to the time when the War Relief Fund statutes went into effect, August 22, 1918:

| <i>Ex. Order</i> | <i>To Whom</i>                     | <i>For What</i>             | <i>Amount</i>     |
|------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------|
| 1                | Murphy-Travis Co.....              | Printing.....               | \$1,808 22        |
| 2                | John J. Brown, P. S. C.....        | Traveling Expense.....      | 53 25             |
| 3                | William W. Blackwell, P. S. C..... | Traveling Expenses.....     | 51 00             |
| 4                | Thomas D. Meares, S. M. E.....     | Traveling Expenses.....     | 96 97             |
| 5                | John J. Brown, P. S. C.....        | Traveling Expenses.....     | 41 48             |
| 6                | Charles S. Davis, S. C.....        | Traveling Expense.....      | 98 40             |
| 7                | Fred E. Wheaton, S. K. R. S.....   | Traveling Expenses.....     | 45 72             |
| 8                | Western Union Tel. Co.....         | Telegrams.....              | 62 57             |
| 9                | Murphy-Travis Co.....              | Printing.....               | 58 75             |
| 10               | Juergens & Andersen Co.....        | War medals.....             | 241 25            |
| 11               | Charles S. Davis, S. C.....        | Traveling Expenses.....     | 47 27             |
| 12               | Juergens & Andersen Co.....        | War medals.....             | 253 56            |
| 13               | Murphy-Travis Co.....              | Printing.....               | 200 00            |
| 14               | Walker Taylor.....                 | Premium, S. M. E. Bond..... | 343 84            |
| 15               | Thomas D. Meares, S. M. E.....     | Telegrams and postage.....  | 37 00             |
| 16               | Juergens & Andersen Co.....        | War medals.....             | 55 00             |
| 17               | Henry Miller, G. K. R. S.....      | Relief paid.....            | 50 00             |
| 18               | Will E. Hampton, G. K. R. S.....   | Relief paid.....            | 50 00             |
| 19               | Juergens & Andersen Co.....        | War medals.....             | 195 00            |
| 20               | John P. McCracken, Clk.....        | Postage.....                | 25 00             |
| 21               | John J. Brown, P. S. C.....        | Traveling Expenses.....     | 68 95             |
| 22               | Charles S. Davis, S. C.....        | Traveling Expenses.....     | 65 72             |
| 23               | Thomas J. Carling, P. S. C.....    | Traveling Expenses.....     | 26 00             |
| 24               | Fred E. Wheaton, S. K. R. S.....   | Traveling Expenses.....     | 164 16            |
| 25               | Tracy R. Bangs, P. S. C.....       | Traveling Expenses.....     | 194 84            |
| 26               | Juergens & Andersen Co.....        | War medals.....             | 197 10            |
| 27               | Murphy-Travis Co.....              | Printing.....               | 89 75             |
| 28               | Ward Ferguson, G. K. R. S.....     | Expenses in Iowa.....       | 260 06            |
| 29               | Will E. Hampton, G. K. R. S.....   | Expenses in Michigan.....   | 403 57            |
| 30               | Roy C. Haines.....                 | Traveling Expenses.....     | 128 78            |
| 31               | Thomas D. Meares, S. M. E.....     | Office Expenses.....        | 7 30              |
| 32               | Murphy-Travis Co.....              | Printing.....               | 331 75            |
| 33               | Juergens & Andersen Co.....        | War medals.....             | 135 70            |
| 34               | Murphy-Travis Co.....              | Printing.....               | 72 00             |
| 35               | Trexler-Ballentine Co.....         | Printing.....               | 3 00              |
| 36               | Juergens & Andersen Co.....        | War medals.....             | 170 20            |
| 37               | Minnesota Engraving Co.....        | Etchings.....               | 28 97             |
|                  |                                    |                             | <b>\$6,162 13</b> |

With reference to the foregoing expenditures, a resolution was submitted at the Detroit convention proposing a "deficiency appropriation" to pay from the general fund of the Supreme Lodge the amount "temporarily borrowed" from the War Relief Fund for the payment of the expenses as above listed. The resolution was adopted, but the proposed deficiency appropriation was not authorized. The appended summary will be of interest as showing the general purposes for which the foregoing expenditures were made:

|                                           |            |
|-------------------------------------------|------------|
| Printing and lithographing.....           | \$2,314 32 |
| Express, supplies to grand domains.....   | 278 12     |
| Traveling expenses.....                   | 1,082 54   |
| Postage and telegrams.....                | 131 87     |
| European War Medals.....                  | 1,247 81   |
| Premium on S. M. E. Bond.....             | 343 84     |
| Expenditures for relief.....              | 100 00     |
| Expenses Iowa War Relief Council.....     | 260 06     |
| Expenses Michigan War Relief Council..... | 403 57     |

Total as above.....**\$6,162 13**



*Exhibit "D"*

## EXPENDITURES FOR RELIEF

Herewith is submitted a complete tabulation of expenditures made from the War Relief Fund in response to applications for relief of soldiers or their dependents, since the adjournment of the convention of 1918 and up to December 31, 1919:

| <i>Ex. Order</i> | <i>To Whom</i>                   | <i>In Behalf Of</i>                    | <i>Amount</i>     |
|------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------------|-------------------|
| 202              | Will E. Hampton, G. K. R. S. .   | Mrs. Lottie Excel, Detroit . . . . .   | \$ 25 00          |
| 203              | Ward Ferguson, G. K. R. S. . .   | Mrs. Harris, Aurelia, Iowa . . . . .   | 50 00             |
| 204              | Mayer W. Aldrich, G. K. R. S.    | Mrs. Mattie Collins, Alabama . . . .   | 200 00            |
| 205              | Robert A. Brown, G. K. R. S. .   | Mrs. Arthur S. Davis, Indiana . . . .  | 50 00             |
| 206              | R. Geo. McCuish, D. D. S. C. .   | Mrs. C. D. McInnis, Sask. . . . .      | 200 00            |
| 207              | Samuel Wolf, New York . . . . .  | Samuel Wolf, New York, N. Y. . . . .   | 150 00            |
| 208              | Robert A. Brown, G. K. R. S. .   | Burley O. Burke, Indiana . . . . .     | 50 00             |
| 209              | Robert A. Brown, G. K. R. S. .   | Herman S. Hatfield, Indiana . . . . .  | 50 00             |
| 210              | Thomas D. Meares, S. M. E. . .   | Mrs. Mary E. Gough, Mass. . . . .      | 50 00             |
| 211              | Thomas D. Meares, S. M. E. . .   | Henry S. Felton, Seattle, Wash. . . .  | 25 00             |
| 212              | Thomas D. Meares, S. M. E. . .   | Mrs. Mary Young, Massachusetts . . .   | 50 00             |
| 213              | Pliny W. McAllister, G. K. R. S. | John Bestor, Milwaukee, Wis. . . . .   | 50 00             |
| 214              | Chas. S. Greenbaum, G. K. R. S.  | Samuel L. Koch, Wyoming . . . . .      | 100 00            |
| 215              | Edward Yerger, G. C. . . . .     | H. B. Slader, McComb, Miss. . . . .    | 100 00            |
| 216              | Edward Yerger, G. C. . . . .     | Horace J. Dale, Columbia, Miss. . . .  | 100 00            |
| 217              | Robert A. Brown, G. K. R. S. .   | Burley O. Burke, Indiana . . . . .     | 100 00            |
| 218              | William Beatty, G. K. R. S. . .  | Henry Peare, Springfield, Ohio . . . . | 100 00            |
| 219              | Robert A. Brown, G. K. R. S. .   | Cecil Cross, Jasonville, Ind. . . . .  | 50 00             |
| 220              | William Beatty, G. K. R. S. . .  | Elmer Weissmann, Cincinnati, O. . . .  | 100 00            |
| 221              | William Beatty, G. K. R. S. . .  | Elmer Weissmann, Cincinnati, O. . . .  | 100 00            |
| 222              | Jas. E. Townsend, G. K. R. S. .  | Herbert G. Chipps, Montreal . . . .    | 100 00            |
| 223              | Will E. Hampton, G. K. R. S. .   | R. C. Marshon, Detroit, Mich. . . . .  | 100 00            |
| 224              | William Grossman, S. R. . . . .  | Joseph H. Marks, New York City . . .   | 100 00            |
| 225              | Will E. Hampton, G. K. R. S. .   | Idea L. Eadie, Rockford, Mich. . . .   | 148 18            |
| 226              | Thomas D. Meares, S. M. E. . .   | Alex. White, Providence, R. I. . . . . | 50 00             |
| 227              | Wm. A. Wilson, G. K. R. S. . .   | Alex. White, Providence, R. I. . . . . | 150 00            |
| 228              | Henry Miller, G. K. R. S. . . .  | Frank J. Reina, Houston, Texas. . . .  | 200 00            |
| 229              | William Beatty, G. K. R. S. . .  | Henry Peare, Springfield, Ohio . . . . | 100 00            |
|                  |                                  |                                        | <b>\$2,648 18</b> |

*Exhibit "E"*

## EXPENSES OF THE WAR RELIEF COMMISSION

The total expenditures from the War Relief Fund, for supplies, service and relief, from the beginning and up to January 1, 1920, are as shown in the two tables—Exhibits "C" and "D"—aggregating \$8,810.31.

Section 76p, Pythian War Relief statute, provides that "the expenses of the Commission shall be paid out of the general fund of the Supreme Lodge." In this language the statute was passed at Detroit, but the question very early arose that, in the absence of a specific appropriation, there apparently was no fund available from which such expenses could be paid. On September 14, 1918, the Supreme Chancellor petitioned the Supreme Tribunal for a construction of the term "general fund," and the authority of the Commission to defray its expenses therefrom. The decision of the Tribunal, reported in May, 1919, held that in the absence of an appropriation there was no general or special fund that legally could be used to pay such expenses.

Pending the adjudication of this question by the Supreme Tribunal, the following listed expenses for supplies and service, were incurred by the Commission and paid out of the "general fund" of the Supreme Lodge. These expenses, while entirely in connection with the administration of the Relief Fund, were not charged against the Fund:

| <i>Ex. Order</i> | <i>To Whom</i>                    | <i>Purpose</i>               | <i>Amount</i> |
|------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------|
| 6941             | Juergens & Andersen Co.....       | War medals.....              | \$ 94 30      |
| 6942             | Murphy-Travis Co.....             | Printing.....                | 305 00        |
| 6963             | Thomas D. Meares, S. M. E. ....   | Postage and telegrams.....   | 8 30          |
| 6966             | Juergens & Andersen Co.....       | War medals.....              | 98 90         |
| 6967             | Murphy-Travis Co.....             | Printing.....                | 55 25         |
| 6968             | Charles S. Davis, S. C. ....      | Traveling Expenses.....      | 17 05         |
| 6990             | William Ladew, S. V. C. ....      | Traveling Expenses.....      | 33 86         |
| 6994             | Fred E. Wheaton, S. K. R. S. .... | Traveling Expenses.....      | 71 74         |
| 6992             | John J. Brown, P. S. C. ....      | Traveling Expenses.....      | 35 47         |
| 6993             | Tracy R. Bangs, P. S. C. ....     | Traveling Expenses.....      | 104 25        |
| 6994             | D. Sidney Woodworth, S. R. ....   | Traveling Expenses.....      | 123 56        |
| 6997             | Walker Taylor.....                | Premium S. M. E. Bond.....   | 775 00        |
| 6998             | Murphy-Travis Co.....             | Printing.....                | 96 75         |
| 6999             | Juergens & Andersen Co.....       | War medals.....              | 156 40        |
| 7016             | Peoples Savings Bank.....         | Safety deposit box.....      | 4 00          |
| 7017             | Murphy-Travis Co.....             | Printing.....                | 153 00        |
| 7018             | Juergens & Andersen Co.....       | War medals.....              | 135 70        |
| 7020             | Jackson & Bell Co.....            | Printing.....                | 11 75         |
| 7038             | Fred E. Wheaton, S. K. R. S. .... | Printing.....                | 3 75          |
| 7043             | Murphy-Travis Co.....             | Printing.....                | 32 75         |
| 7048             | J. B. McCabe, Acct.....           | Exam. S. M. E. Accounts..... | 25 00         |
| 7064             | Charles S. Davis, S. C. ....      | Traveling Expenses.....      | 89 31         |
| 7065             | William Ladew, S. V. C. ....      | Traveling Expenses.....      | 28 44         |
| 7066             | Fred E. Wheaton, S. K. R. S. .... | Traveling Expenses.....      | 140 00        |
| 7067             | Tracy R. Bangs, P. S. C. ....     | Traveling Expenses.....      | 209 26        |
| 7068             | D. Sidney Woodworth, S. R. ....   | Traveling Expenses.....      | 55 56         |
| 7069             | John J. Brown, P. S. C. ....      | Traveling Expenses.....      | 95 13         |
| 7078             | Thomas J. Carling, P. S. C. ....  | Traveling Expenses.....      | 95 26         |
| 7104             | Juergens & Andersen Co.....       | War medals.....              | 8 96          |
| 7107             | Jackson & Bell Co.....            | Printing.....                | 7 00          |
| 7127             | Trexler-Ballentine Co.....        | Printing.....                | 7 00          |
| 7129             | Thomas D. Meares, S. M. E. ....   | Exchange Montreal draft..... | 9 17          |
| 7133             | Murphy-Travis Co.....             | Printing.....                | 230 50        |
| 7181             | Murphy-Travis Co.....             | Printing.....                | 24 00         |
| 7204             | Thomas D. Meares, S. M. E. ....   | Exam. S. M. E. Accounts..... | 25 00         |
| 7207             | Juergens & Andersen Co.....       | War medals.....              | 95 03         |
| 7346             | C. J. Cullington.....             | Paris memorial services..... | 65 33         |
| Total.....       |                                   |                              | \$3,526 73    |

Analyzing the foregoing expenditures in the same manner as is shown with reference to the expenses listed in Exhibit "C," the appended summary indicates the general purposes for which these expenditures were made from the "general fund" of the Supreme Lodge:

|                                        |            |
|----------------------------------------|------------|
| Purchases of War Medals.....           | \$ 589 29  |
| Printing.....                          | 926 75     |
| Traveling expenses of Commission.....  | 1,098 89   |
| Postage and telegrams.....             | 8 30       |
| Premium on S. M. E. Bond.....          | 775 00     |
| Rent of Safety Deposit Box.....        | 4 00       |
| Exchange on Canadian remittance.....   | 9 17       |
| Audit of S. M. E. Accounts.....        | 50 00      |
| Pythian Memorial Service in Paris..... | 65 33      |
| Total as above.....                    | \$3,526 73 |

## INTEREST EARNINGS AND DISBURSEMENTS

In reviewing the administration of the Pythian War Relief Fund it is interesting to recall that, at the inception of the Fund movement, the prediction was made that all *expenses* of administration could entirely be borne from the interest earnings of the Fund, leaving the principal intact to meet calls for relief. It is now shown that the interest earning has been nearly twice the total amount of disbursements for expenses and relief combined. This condition is clearly set forth in the appended tabulation:

|                                                   |                    |
|---------------------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Interest on Certificates of Deposit.....          | \$ 6,485 98        |
| Interest on United States Bonds.....              | 9,443 61           |
| Total interest earnings to December 31, 1919..... | <u>\$15,929 59</u> |

## DISBURSEMENTS:

|                                          |                    |
|------------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Exhibit "C"—Expenses paid from Fund..... | \$6,162 13         |
| Exhibit "D"—Expended for relief.....     | 2,648 18           |
|                                          | <u>8,810 31</u>    |
| Excess interest over disbursements.....  | 7,119 28           |
|                                          | <u>\$15,929 59</u> |

Deducting from the foregoing net interest earnings the expenses paid by the Supreme Lodge as shown in Exhibit "E" (\$3,526.73), there remains a credit interest balance, over and above all expenditures, of \$3,592.55.

*Exhibit "F"*

## QUARTERLY REPORT OF THE CUSTODIAN

WILMINGTON, NORTH CAROLINA, JANUARY 1, 1920

*To the Pythian War Relief Commission:*

I beg to submit the following statement of the condition of the Pythian War Relief Fund for the quarter ended December 31, 1919:

## RECEIPTS:

|                                                                                                             |              |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| October 1, 1919, balance on hand.....                                                                       | \$301,209 57 |
| Remittances received from grand lodges, subordinate lodges and individuals, October 1st to December 31..... | 12,410 72    |
| Interest on United States Bonds.....                                                                        | 1,644 44     |
| Interest on Certificates of Deposit.....                                                                    | 1,000 00     |
|                                                                                                             | <hr/>        |
|                                                                                                             | \$316,619 98 |

## DISBURSEMENTS:

|                                                         |              |
|---------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| 219—Robert A. Brown, G.K.R.S. Relief Cecil Cross.....   | \$ 50 00     |
| 220—William Beatty, G.K.R.S. Relief Elmer Weissman..... | 100 00       |
| 221—Jas. E. Townsend, G.K.R.S. Relief H. G. Chipps..... | 100 00       |
| 222—Will E. Hampton, G.K.R.S. Relief R. C. Marshon..... | 100 00       |
| 223—Wm. Grossman, S. R..... Relief Jos. H. Marks.....   | 100 00       |
| 224—Thos. D. Meares, S.M.E..... Relief Alex. White..... | 50 00        |
| 225—Will E. Hampton, G.K.R.S. Relief Iden L. Eadie..... | 148 18       |
| 227—Wm. A. Wilson, G.K.R.S. Relief Alex. White.....     | 150 00       |
| 228—Henry Miller, G.K.R.S. Relief Frank Reina.....      | 200 00       |
| 229—Wm. Beatty, G.K.R.S. Relief Henry Peare.....        | 100 00       |
|                                                         | <hr/>        |
|                                                         | 1,098 18     |
| January 1, 1920, balance on hand.....                   | <hr/>        |
|                                                         | \$315,166 55 |

The balance on hand is protected by the following securities:

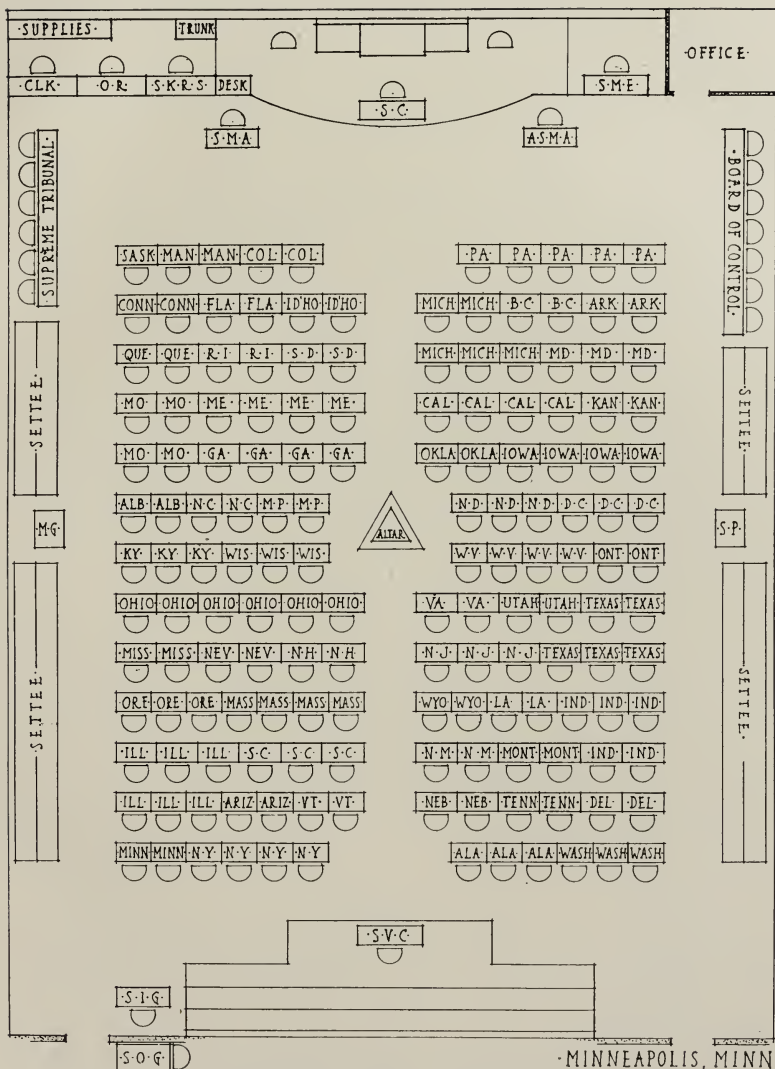
|                                                               |              |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| United States Bonds, in Safety Box, Peoples Savings Bank..... | \$150,000 00 |
| United States Bonds, in hand.....                             | 22,500 00    |
| United States Treasury Notes.....                             | 5,000 00     |
| CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT:                                      |              |
| Murchison National Bank.....                                  | \$20,000 00  |
| American Bank and Trust Co.....                               | 25,000 00    |
| Central Trust Company.....                                    | 15,000 00    |
| Home Savings Bank.....                                        | 20,000 00    |
| Peoples Savings Bank.....                                     | 20,000 00    |
| Wilmington Savings & Trust Co.....                            | 25,000 00    |
| Raleigh Savings & Trust Co.....                               | 1,000 00     |
| Branch Bank & Trust Co.....                                   | 2,000 00     |
| Citizens Bank.....                                            | 3,000 00     |
| Murchison National Bank (open account).....                   | <hr/>        |
|                                                               | 131,000 00   |
|                                                               | <hr/>        |
|                                                               | 6,666 55     |
|                                                               | <hr/>        |
|                                                               | \$315,166 55 |

Fraternally submitted,

THOMAS D. MEARES,

*Supreme Master of Exchequer.*





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*Exhibit "G"*

## REPORT OF CERTIFIED ACCOUNTANT

WILMINGTON, NORTH CAROLINA, JANUARY 1, 1920.

*Pythian War Relief Commission:*

We hereby certify that we have examined the books and verified the securities in the hands of Mr. Thos. D. Meares, Supreme Master of Exchequer, Knights of Pythias, covering the handling of the War Relief Fund, and beg to report as follows:

## RECEIPTS

|                                                                                                          |              |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| From grand and subordinate lodges and other sources as shown by stubs of receipt book and cash book..... | \$ 12,410 72 |
| Interest on United States Bonds.....                                                                     | 1,644 44     |
| Interest on Certificates of Deposit.....                                                                 | 1,000 00     |
| Total receipts Oct. 1st to Dec. 31st, 1919, inc.....                                                     | 15,055 16    |
| Balance on hand Oct. 1st, 1919 per audit.....                                                            | 301,209 57   |
| Total fund to be accounted for.....                                                                      | \$316,264 73 |

## DISBURSEMENTS

|                                     |                               |              |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------|
| Robt. A. Brown.....                 | Relief Cecil Cross.....       | 50 00        |
| Wm. Beatty.....                     | Relief Elmer Weissman.....    | 100 00       |
| J. E. Townsend.....                 | Relief Herbert G. Chipps..... | 100 00       |
| Will E. Hampton.....                | Relief R. C. Marshon.....     | 100 00       |
| Wm. Grossman.....                   | Relief Jos. H. Marks.....     | 100 00       |
| Thos. D. Meares.....                | Relief Alex White.....        | 50 00        |
| Will E. Hampton.....                | Relief Iden L. Eadie.....     | 148 18       |
| Wm. A. Wilson.....                  | Relief Alex White.....        | 150 00       |
| Henry Miller.....                   | Relief Frank J. Reina.....    | 200 00       |
| Wm. Beatty.....                     | Relief Henry Peare.....       | 100 00       |
| Total Amount Disbursed.....         |                               | \$ 1,098 18  |
| Balance on hand Jan. 1st, 1920..... |                               | \$315.166 55 |

The following is a list of assets found on hand covering balance of January 1, 1920:

|                                                                                                                                                                              |              |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| United States Bonds in deposit box, Peoples Savings Bank, Wilmington, N. C., as per certificate of said bank.....                                                            | \$150,000 00 |
| Nos. J102188-J102189, each \$5,000.....                                                                                                                                      | 10,000 00    |
| Nos. H1616977-1616986, inc., 10 each \$1,000.....                                                                                                                            | 10,000 00    |
| Nos. 1790779 to 1790782, inc., 77382-77383, 6022848-10845370-5511197-5511200, inc., 12 at \$100.00 each.....                                                                 | 1,200 00     |
| Nos. 8514338-8514561-8514566, inc., 8178496 to 8178497-130116-1301117-18082427-11219729-11219730-1254915-7585656-7585657-9721235-9745681-9745688, inc., 26 at \$50.00 each.. | 1,300 00     |
| United States Treasury Note.....                                                                                                                                             | 5,000 00     |
| Murchison National Bank—open account.....                                                                                                                                    | 6,666 55     |
| CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT:                                                                                                                                                     |              |
| Murchison National Bank, No. 17577.....                                                                                                                                      | 15,000 00    |
| Central Trust Co., No. 12884-12980.....                                                                                                                                      | 15,000 00    |
| American Bank & Trust Co., No. 381-407-457-461.....                                                                                                                          | 25,000 00    |
| Home Savings Bank, Nos. 374-470-504-570.....                                                                                                                                 | 20,000 00    |
| Peoples Savings Bank, Nos. 1452-1793-1837-1842-2090.....                                                                                                                     | 25,000 00    |
| Wilmington Savings & Trust Co., Nos. 2104-2203-2193-2204-2206                                                                                                                | 25,000 00    |
| Raleigh Saving & Trust Co., No. 426.....                                                                                                                                     | 1,000 00     |
| Branch Bank & Trust Co., No. 2073.....                                                                                                                                       | 2,000 00     |
| Citizens Bank, No. 117.....                                                                                                                                                  | 3,000 00     |
| Total.....                                                                                                                                                                   | \$315,166 55 |

We take pleasure in further stating that the records covering this fund were found efficiently maintained by Mr. Meares, and all securities easily accessible for verification.

Respectfully,

J. B. McCABE & COMPANY,  
Certified Public Accountants

By J. B. McCABE, CPA

## THIRD REGULAR MEETING.

(Serial No. 9.)

NEW YORK, N. Y., April 19, 1920.

By direction and call of the Supreme Chancellor, a regular meeting of the Pythian War Relief Commission was held this day in room 2100, Hotel Commodore, New York City, New York, commencing at 10 o'clock a. m., with the following members of the Commission present:

Charles S. Davis, Supreme Chancellor.  
 William Ladew, Supreme Vice Chancellor.  
 Fred E. Wheaton, Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal.  
 Thomas J. Carling, Past Supreme Chancellor.  
 John J. Brown, Past Supreme Chancellor.  
 D. Sidney Woodworth, Supreme Representative, and  
 Thomas D. Meares, Supreme Master of Exchequer.

**Hours of Daily Sessions:**

On motion, it was ordered that the hours for the daily sessions be fixed as follows: Convene at 10 a. m. and recess at 1 p. m., convene at 2 p. m. and recess at 5 p. m.

**Minutes Approved:**

On motion of Supreme Representative Woodworth, "the minutes of the second regular meeting, held in Philadelphia, January 27-28, 1919, were approved as printed."

**Report of Custodian:**

The Supreme Master of Exchequer, custodian of the War Relief Fund, submitted the following report of receipts and disbursements for the quarter ended March 31, 1920:

## RECEIPTS

|                                                    |              |
|----------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| January 1, 1920, balance on hand.....              | \$315,166.56 |
| Received from grand lodges during the quarter..... | 881.30       |
| Interest on United States Bonds.....               | 2,134.54     |
| Interest on Certificates of Deposit.....           | 1,375.00     |

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\$319,557.39

## DISBURSEMENTS

|                                                       |          |
|-------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| 230—Alonzo Bedell, GKRS —Relief S. S. Kaluber.....    | \$100.00 |
| 231—Ward Ferguson, GKRS —Relief Mrs. Roberts.....     | 200.00   |
| 232—Thos. D. Meares, SME —Relief Meredith Jones.....  | 50.00    |
| 233—George E. Howe, GKRS —Relief F. W. Harriman.....  | 50.00    |
| 234—Alonzo Bedell, GKRS —Relief Mrs. Hirshfield.....  | 200.00   |
| 235—Edgar J. Brown, GKRS —Relief W. F. Cleveland..... | 150.00   |
| 236—Emil Pfirdner, GKRS —Relief Mrs. Barnes.....      | 200.00   |
| 237—Alonzo Bedell, GKRS —Relief Wm. F. Gygli.....     | 50.00    |
| 238—Robert A. Brown, GKRS —Relief L. C. Meredith..... | 200.00   |

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1,200.00

April 1, 1920, balance on hand..... \$318,357.39

## SECURITIES

|                                                              |              |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| United States Bonds in Safety Box, Peoples Savings Bank..... | \$150,000.00 |
| United States Bonds, in hand.....                            | 22,500.00    |
| United States Treasury Notes.....                            | 10,000.00    |
| Certificates of Deposit in Banks.....                        | 131,000.00   |
| Murchison National Bank, open account.....                   | 4,857.39     |

Total as above.....\$318,357.39

Accompanying the foregoing report was the statement of the F. J. Sullivan & Co., certified public accountants, Wilmington, North Carolina, verifying the receipts, disbursements, securities, and balance on hand April 1, 1920.

On motion, the report of the custodian was "accepted" and ordered to "lie over for such further consideration as may be necessary."



### Relief Payments:

The Secretary reported that, subsequent to the preparation of the report of the custodian, two applications for relief had been approved and exchequer orders issued in the sum of \$200 for each application, and submitted the appended tabulation of all claims allowed since the Supreme Lodge convention of 1918:

#### EXPENDED FOR RELIEF

|                                                       |            |
|-------------------------------------------------------|------------|
| Exhibit "D", financial statement January 1, 1920..... | \$2,648.18 |
| Disbursements reported by custodian, as above.....    | 1,200.00   |
| Additional payments reported by Secretary.....        | 400.00     |
| Total relief disbursements to date.....               | \$4,248.18 |

It was further reported that all applications for relief, 39 in number, had been carefully examined by the sub-committee on claims and approved, as provided by the rules and regulations, before payment had been authorized and exchequer order issued.

Past Supreme Chancellor Brown moved, "That the report of the committee on claims, showing payment of relief to the aggregate of \$4,248.18, be approved by the Commission," whereupon the Supreme Chancellor ordered a roll call, and the motion was unanimously adopted by the following vote:

Those voting "yea" were: Davis, Ladew, Carling, Brown, Woodworth and Wheaton—6, (all present).

Those voting "nay" were—none.

### United States Bonds:

That portion of the report of the custodian in which it was shown that \$131,000 of the War Relief Fund was in certificates of deposit in local banks in Wilmington, North Carolina, was taken up for consideration, in connection with the prevailing quotations on United States "Liberty" and "Victory" Bonds.

After some discussion, Past Supreme Chancellor Carling moved, "That the Commission authorize the Supreme Master of Exchequer to purchase U. S. 4 $\frac{3}{4}$  Bonds to the extent of \$100,000," which motion, on call of the roll, prevailing unanimously.

Past Supreme Chancellor Brown moved, "That the Supreme Chancellor appoint a committee of three members to investigate the local bond market and purchase U. S. Bonds as above authorized," which motion prevailed, and the Supreme Chancellor appointed Past Supreme Chancellor Carling and Supreme Master of Exchequer Meares, as two members of said committee.

The Supreme Vice Chancellor nominated the Supreme Chancellor as the third member of the committee, and this nomination, in the form of a motion was put and carried.

### Commission Expenses:

The matter of the expenses incurred by the Commission, including attendance at meetings, printing and supplies, as listed in exhibit "c" and exhibit "e," and contained in the "financial statement" issued by the Commission on January 1, 1920, was taken up for consideration.

That portion of the "financial statement" shown as exhibit "e" was read, and, on motion, was unanimously "approved."

The Secretary called attention to the fact that the expenses of the Commission, as listed in exhibit "c," which expenses had been officially reported to the Supreme Lodge at the convention of 1918, were entirely paid from the War Relief Fund, and that the Supreme Lodge, through oversight, failed to make an appropriation to cover said expenses, as was contemplated at the Detroit convention.

After some discussion, on motion, it was unanimously ordered "That the Commission proceed to consider all expenses of the Commission as shown in

exhibits "c" and "e," for the purpose of recommending to the Supreme Lodge to what appropriations, or funds, said expenses should be charged."

Expenses, exhibit "c," were apportioned as follows:

#### EXHIBIT "C"

|                                        |            |
|----------------------------------------|------------|
| To WAR RELIEF FUND—                    |            |
| Printing and lithographing.....        | \$2,314.32 |
| Express, supplies to grand lodges..... | 278.12     |
| Postage and telegrams.....             | 131.87     |
| Premium on S. M. E. bond.....          | 343.84     |
| Expended for relief.....               | 100.00     |
| To GENERAL FUND—                       |            |
| Traveling expenses.....                | \$1,082.54 |
| European War Medals.....               | 1,247.81   |
| CHARGE TO GRAND DOMAIN —               |            |
| Iowa—Expenses War Council.....         | \$ 260.06  |
| Michigan—Expenses War Council.....     | 403.57     |
| Total—Exhibit "c".....                 | \$6,162.13 |

Expenses, exhibit "e," were apportioned as follows:

#### EXHIBIT "E"

|                                        |            |
|----------------------------------------|------------|
| To WAR RELIEF FUND—                    |            |
| Printing.....                          | \$ 926.75  |
| Postage and telegrams.....             | 8.30       |
| Premium on S. M. E. bond.....          | 775.00     |
| Rent of Safety Deposit Box.....        | 4.00       |
| Exchange on Canadian remittances.....  | 9.17       |
| Audit of S. M. E. accounts.....        | 50.00      |
| Pythian Memorial Service in Paris..... | 65.33      |
| To GENERAL FUND—                       |            |
| Purchase of War Medals.....            | \$ 589.29  |
| Traveling expenses of Commission.....  | 1,098.89   |
| Total—Exhibit "e".....                 | \$3,526.73 |
| Total—Exhibit "c".....                 | 6,162.13   |
|                                        | \$9,688.86 |

#### RECAPITULATION

|                                                 |            |
|-------------------------------------------------|------------|
| To War Relief Fund, Exhibits "c" and "e".....   | \$5,006.70 |
| To General Fund, exhibits "c" and "e".....      | 4,018.53   |
| Charge to grand domains, Iowa and Michigan..... | 663.63     |
| Total expenses of Commission, as above.....     | \$9,688.86 |

Supreme Representative Woodworth moved, "That the apportionment of the expenses of the Commission, as now agreed upon, be officially reported to the Supreme Lodge at its coming convention, with request that the Committee on Finance be instructed to include same in the biennial budget."

The Supreme Chancellor ordered a roll call on the foregoing motion, which was had, and with the following result:

Those voting "yea" were—Davis, Ladew, Carling, Brown, Woodworth and Wheaton—6.

Those voting "nay" were—none.

#### Recess Ordered:

On motion, it was ordered "that the Commission take recess until 2 o'clock p. m."

#### AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Commission reassembled at 2 o'clock p. m., Monday, April 19, and was called to order by the Supreme Chancellor, all members being present as at the morning session.

#### Report of Commission:

Some time was devoted to the consideration of the character of the report of the Commission to be submitted to the Supreme Lodge at its next convention, August, 1920.

Discussion on this matter was general, each member of the Commission expressing his views as to various topics that should be brought out in said report.

The Supreme Chancellor stated that he had received some very helpful suggestions and practical recommendations from the Supreme Master of Exchequer with reference to the official report of the Commission, which he would make available to members of the Commission when the time came to prepare the report.

The Supreme Vice Chancellor called attention to the necessity that some amendments be made to the war relief statutes, more especially as regards the administration of the fund, and moved "that the subject matter of the report of the commission be made a special order for 10 o'clock a. m., Tuesday, April 20," which motion prevailed unanimously.

### **Vocational Training:**

The Supreme Chancellor made a general statement reviewing his personal experience in investigating the "Dale" and "Slader" applications for relief, in Mississippi.

Past Supreme Chancellor Carling explained certain experiences of the Government in seeking to extend aid to soldiers receiving vocational training.

On motion, recess was ordered until 10 o'clock a. m., Tuesday, April 20.

### **SECOND DAY.**

The Commission reassembled at 10 o'clock a. m., Tuesday, April 20, 1920, and was called to order by the Supreme Chancellor, the following members being present:

Charles S. Davis, Supreme Chancellor.

William Ladew, Supreme Vice Chancellor.

Fred E. Wheaton, Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal.

Thomas J. Carling, Past Supreme Chancellor.

John J. Brown, Past Supreme Chancellor.

D. Sidney Woodworth, Supreme Representative, and

Thomas D. Meares, Supreme Master of Exchequer.

### **Special Order:**

The special order fixed for this hour, viz: Report of the Commission was then taken up.

The consideration of this subject matter was in the nature of a general discussion, covering a considerable review of the experience of the Commission from the inception of the fund movement, the general attitude of the order at large in responding to the proclamation calling for the fund, and the prevailing disposition following the signing of the armistice, that the assessment resolution be set aside.

Attention being called to the action of the Commission in appointing a special committee to investigate the local bond market in connection with the authorized purchase of U. S. Liberty Bonds, it was moved and carried, "That the Commission take recess until 3 o'clock p. m., to allow the special committee to perform its duties."

### **AFTERNOON SESSION.**

The Commission reconvened at 3 o'clock p. m., was called to order by the Supreme Chancellor, all members being present as at the morning session.

### **Purchase of Bonds:**

The special committee appointed to investigate the bond market, reported that they had done so, and that they had arranged to purchase Government securities to the extent of \$100,000, for which purpose the Supreme Master of Exchequer had notified banks in Wilmington, North Carolina, by

wire, to be in position to release for this purchase, funds now held in certificates of deposit.

### Special Order:

The Secretary submitted and read the rough draft of a proposed tentative report of the Commission, which was made the subject of general discussion.

On motion of Supreme Representative Woodworth, it was ordered "That that portion of the proposed report submitted by the Secretary, reviewing the experience, meaning and purpose of the War Relief Fund, be adopted."

It was then moved "That further consideration of the subject matter of the report of the Commission be postponed until the morning session of the third day," which motion prevailed.

### Recess Ordered:

On motion, it was ordered, "That the Commission take recess until 10 o'clock a. m., Wednesday, April 21.

### THIRD DAY.

The Commission reassembled at 10 o'clock a. m., Wednesday, April 21, and was called to order by the Supreme Chancellor, all members being present, as under:

Charles S. Davis, Supreme Chancellor.  
William Ladew, Supreme Vice Chancellor.  
Fred E. Wheaton, Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal.  
Tracy R. Bangs, Past Supreme Chancellor.  
Thomas J. Carling, Past Supreme Chancellor.  
John J. Brown, Past Supreme Chancellor.  
D. Sidney Woodworth, Supreme Representative, and  
Thomas D. Meares, Supreme Master of Exchequer.

### Special Order:

The special order—report of the Commission—twice deferred, was again taken up and considered at length, during which it was pointed out that certain changes or amendments should very properly be made in the War Relief statutes.

It was moved by Supreme Representative Woodworth, seconded and carried, "That a special committee be appointed to prepare such proposed legislation as may be recommended by the Commission," whereupon the Supreme Chancellor appointed as such committee: Tracy R. Bangs, William Ladew and Fred E. Wheaton.

The Supreme Vice Chancellor submitted the following amendment as a substitute for the present section 76h, supreme statute:

76h. The War Relief Fund shall be used for the financial relief of members of the order whose service with the military or naval forces of the United States or Canada, or their allied forces, or with any recognized welfare service units actively associated with such forces, has resulted in necessity for assistance, and for the relief of the families or dependents of such members.

On motion, it was ordered, "That the proposed substitute for section 76h be referred to the special committee."

After further discussion on the subject matter of the official report of the Commission, and its suggestions and recommendations, the appended resolution was unanimously adopted:

*Resolved*, That, in our judgment, based upon the experiences following all wars, applications for relief are liable to continue; that the War Relief Fund should be kept intact for the purpose of affording relief as contemplated in the statutes; and that the administration of the Fund be continued under the charge of the War Relief Commission.

Past Supreme Chancellor Carling moved, "That the Secretary have made a sufficient number of typewritten copies of the tentative report so



that each member of the Commission might have a copy this day at 4 o'clock p. m.," which motion prevailed.

#### **Haverly Defalcation:**

The Supreme Chancellor presented a verbal report of his official actions in connection with the defalcation of Paul J. B. Haverly, grand keeper of records and seal of Illinois, whereupon the appended resolution was offered:

*Whereas*, The Supreme Chancellor has reported to the War Relief Commission the data and facts in connection with the defalcation of Paul J. B. Haverly, former grand keeper of records and seal of Illinois, in the matter of the War Relief Fund; now, therefore,

*Resolved*, That the action of the Supreme Chancellor in connection with the said Haverly defalcation, be and the same hereby is approved and commended by the War Relief Commission, with the request that the Supreme Chancellor set forth the facts relating to said defalcation in his official report to the Supreme Lodge.

THOMAS J. CARLING, *P. S. C.*

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

#### **Recess:**

On motion, it was ordered, "That the Commission take recess until 4 o'clock p. m., this day."

#### **AFTERNOON SESSION.**

The Commission reconvened at 4 o'clock p. m., Wednesday, April 21, with all members present, and was called to order by the Supreme Chancellor.

#### **Tentative Report:**

The Secretary submitted typewritten copies of the "tentative report," of the Commission, furnishing a copy to each member, as per action taken at the morning session.

#### **Reports from Grand Domains:**

Supreme Representative Woodworth offered the appended resolution, which was unanimously adopted:

*Resolved*, That the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal be, and he hereby is directed, to communicate with the grand chancellor and grand keeper of records and seal of each grand domain, directing them to forward immediately to the Supreme Master of Exchequer a detailed statement of all receipts and collections made on account of the War Relief Fund, and to transmit with such statement all money on hand, if any, belonging to this Fund, that full credit may be given each grand domain for the total amount contributed to the Pythian War Relief Fund.

#### **Henry Lemmermann, P. S. R.:**

The Secretary offered the appended resolution, which was unanimously adopted:

*Resolved*, That the Pythian War Relief Commission learns with gratification that Past Supreme Representative Henry Lemmermann, of New York, on the 19th day of April, 1920, attained the honorable distinction of fifty years' consecutive membership in the order of Knights of Pythias, replete with faithful service throughout this long period, and that we heartily commend the deserved expressions relating to his fraternal record so appropriately set forth in the "Appreciation" prepared as a testimonial to this distinguished Pythian, by Past Supreme Representative Frank J. Martin, of New York.

#### **Adjournment:**

No further business appearing, the meeting adjourned.

A true record,

FRED E. WHEATON, S. K. R. S.  
*Secretary.*

**OFFICIAL PROGRAM**  
**OF THE**  
**THIRTY-FIRST CONVENTION**  
**OF THE**  
**SUPREME LODGE KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS**  
**MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA**  
**AUGUST 10-17, 1920.**

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Under auspices of the  
KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS  
BIENNIAL CONVENTION ASSOCIATION  
(INCORPORATED)

*President*—JAMES ROBERTSON, Past Supreme Representative.  
*Vice President*—EDWARD H. MILHAM, Past Supreme Representative.  
*Secretary*—FRED E. WHEATON, Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal.  
*Treasurer*—DEFORREST WARD, Supreme Representative.  
FREDERICK S. ATTWOOD, Supreme Prelate.  
JAMES A. WHARTON, Supreme Representative.  
CHARLES L. CONGER, Grand Chancellor.

**COMMITTEES**

*Reception*—CHARLES A. GREENWOOD, Chairman; Charles F. Phelps, William S. Prentiss, Edward A. McAfee, Carl Mattson, Gilbert J. Skarnes, Thomas P. Gleason, Edgar A. Chadsey, Erwin J. Miller, Albert T. Larson, Irving D. Royal, Alfred C. Godward, Alfred E. Berthe, Jeremiah M. Barlow, Alfred T. Murphy, Grier F. Wheaton, Guy S. Thorson, John P. McCracken, Earl Fairbanks, Simon Meshbesh, Charles S. Bradt, Judson L. Cook, Peter Houle, John E. Staudenmayer, Herman Flygare, Dr. Edgar D. Brown, Fred W. Rich, Edward J. Broberg, Frank A. Pogrebe, R. Chas. Neuenschwander, Harry A. Monohan, Mark D. Fancher, Archie N. Wilcox, Harold W. Greenwood, Elmer M. Wheaton, Percy W. Viesselman, Ernest H. Mazey, Peter L. Anderson, Fred B. Wright, John Hancock, Herbert T. Park.

*Entertainment*—EDWARD W. MURPHY, Chairman; Theodore L. Hays, John Hancock, Harry A. Lund, William C. Robertson.

*Decorations*—CHARLES E. PHELPS, Chairman; John P. McCracken, Antony Forchas, Charles A. Greenwood, Ernest H. Mazey, George N. Baker, Robert W. Borland.

*Souvenirs*—PLINY W. MCALLISTER, Chairman; Hugh E. Shedd, Charles S. Bradt, Charles I. Cole, Antony Forchas.

*Transportation*—HERBERT T. PARK, Chairman; Charles W. Ringer, Roy Douglass, John W. Mahoney, Hugh E. McAllister, Thomas P. Gleason, John J. Windrum.

*Finance*—HENRY C. HANKE, Chairman; George F. Blossom, Fred E. Kenaston, Albert H. Turriffin, Charles L. Conger.

*St. Paul*—EDWARD H. MILHAM, Chairman; Herbert P. Keller, R. Chas. Neuenschwander, Frank S. Brown, Adli H. Matzke, Charles F. Graham, Arthur B. Parker, Bruce J. Broady, Reinhold Meili, Thomas E. Mulcrone, Oswald D. Johnson, James R. Cooper, Fred W. Gosewich.

*Badges and Program*—THE SECRETARY.

### LADIES' COMMITTEE

*Executive*—MRS. FRED E. WHEATON, Chairman; MRS. DEFORREST WARD, Secretary; Mrs. Edward H. Milham, Mrs. Frederick S. Attwood, Mrs. James Robertson, Mrs. James A. Wharton, Mrs. Charles L. Conger.

*Associate*—Mrs. Henry C. Hanke, Mrs. Albert H. Turriffin, Mrs. Harry C. Travis, Mrs. Charles W. Ringer, Mrs. Ella M. Dauphine, Mrs. Charles S. Bradt, Mrs. John P. McCracken, Mrs. Emma J. Crosby, Mrs. Frank C. Benedict, Mrs. Margarite Shurmecher, Mrs. Grier F. Wheaton, Mrs. John J. Weston, Miss Ethelwyn Phelps, Mrs. Herbert T. Park, Mrs. Charles E. Phelps, Mrs. Edward W. Murphy, Mrs. George F. Blossom, Mrs. John B. Lee, Mrs. Frank E. Davis, Mrs. Alice H. Polley, Mrs. Charles E. Hasey, Mrs. Eugene B. Barnes, Mrs. Elmer M. Wheaton, Mrs. Jerry P. Hale, Miss Irene Peterson, Misses Lund.

### *Out Where The West Begins*

Out where the handclasp's a little stronger,  
 Out where a smile dwells a little longer—  
     That's where the West begins.  
 Out where the sun is a little brighter,  
 Where the snows that fall are a trifle whiter,  
 Where the bonds of home are a wee bit tighter—  
     That's where the West begins.

Out where the skies are a trifle bluer,  
 Out where friendship's a little truer—  
     That's where the West begins.  
 Out where a fresher breeze is blowing,  
 Where there's laughter in every streamlet flowing,  
 Where there's more of reaping and less of sowing—  
     That's where the West begins.

Out where the world is in the making,  
 Where fewer hearts with despair are aching—  
     That's where the West begins.  
 Where there's more of singing and less of sighing,  
 Where there's more of giving and less of buying,  
 And a man makes friends without half trying—  
     That's where the West begins.

**RESOLUTION IN HONOR  
OF THE  
SUPREME LODGE CONVENTION**

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*Unanimously adopted by the Grand Lodge Knights of Pythias,  
Domain of Minnesota, October 14th, 1919.*

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WHEREAS, The Supreme Lodge, at its thirtieth regular convention held in Detroit, Michigan, in August, 1918, unanimously selected the City of Minneapolis, Grand Domain of Minnesota, as the place for holding its biennial convention of 1920; and

WHEREAS, For the first time in the history of our beloved order, the Supreme Lodge will assemble in regular convention in our grand domain, thus making Minnesota the Pythian Mecca for next year; now, therefore

*Be it resolved by the Grand Lodge Knights of Pythias of the Domain of Minnesota, That, on its behalf, and on behalf of the subordinate lodges and the membership of the order in this grand domain, we hereby express our appreciation of the great honor conferred in selecting Minneapolis as the place for holding the Supreme Lodge Convention of 1920, with assurance to the officers and members of that body, and kindred Pythian bodies that will foregather in this grand domain, that it will be our pleasure to extend to them, their families and friends, every courtesy within our power; and be it further*

*Resolved, That Past Grand Chancellors Carroll S. Bartram, DeForrest Ward, Edward H. Milham, James Robertson, Frederick S. Attwood and Fred E. Wheaton, be, and they hereby are appointed an executive committee to have charge of arrangements for the Supreme Lodge Convention and the meeting of kindred Pythian bodies that will assemble in Minneapolis in August, 1920, said committee having authority to appoint, with the co-operation of subordinate lodges in the Twin Cities, such local committees as shall be necessary for the proper reception and entertainment of our Pythian guests.*

CHARLES L. CONGER,  
*Grand Chancellor.*

PLINY W. MCALLISTER,  
*Grand Keeper of Records and Seal.*

CHARLES A. GREENWOOD,  
*Grand Master of Exchequer.*

[GRAND LODGE  
SEAL]

*Promulgated October 28th, 1919.*



### OUTLINE OF PROGRAM

SUNDAY and MONDAY, *August 8th and 9th:*

Reception committee—the “glad handlers”—will greet all visiting Knights of Pythias and Pythian Sisters at railroad stations, with automobiles in readiness to take them to their respective hotels.

NOTE: Officers and members of the Supreme Lodge and Supreme Temple, either as individuals, or whoever may be in charge of any visiting delegation, are requested to notify Charles A. Greenwood, Chairman of the Reception Committee, 754 Security Building, Minneapolis, by letter or wire, giving information as to train and time of arrival. Why pay taxi fare?

MONDAY EVENING, *August 9th:*

8:00 P. M. “*Minnesota’s Welcome.*” General gathering of members of the Supreme Lodge, Supreme Temple, also all visiting Pythians and local members and their families and friends, at the Church of the Redeemer, where addresses of welcome will be delivered by Hon. J. A. A. Burnquist, Governor of Minnesota; Hon. James E. Meyers, Mayor of Minneapolis, and Hon. Laurence C. Hodgson, Mayor of St. Paul. Responses by Hon. Charles S. Davis, Supreme Chancellor, and Mrs. Elizabeth J. Hutchinson, Supreme Chief.

TUESDAY, *August 10th:*

10:00 A. M. Supreme Lodge and Supreme Temple will open in Biennial Convention in their respective convention halls, also other kindred Pythian bodies. Each body will be requested to hold but one session on this day.

3:00 P. M. “*The City Beautiful.*” Automobile trip tendered to all visitors, traversing the parks and boulevards, with brief stop at “Minnehaha,” where light refreshments will be served, and a moving picture taken in the park.

8:00 P. M. “*Pythian Sisters Reception.*” Supreme Temple, Pythian Sisters, in conjunction with the Grand Temple of Minnesota, will hold their biennial reception at their headquarters, Leamington Hotel.

WEDNESDAY, *August 11th:*

10:00 A. M. Supreme Lodge and Supreme Temple in regular session.

2:00 P. M. Supreme Lodge and Supreme Temple in regular session.

NOTE: “*Special Entertainment for Supreme Lodge Ladies.*” Ladies’ Committee will entertain visiting ladies of the Supreme Lodge at a “Five Hundred” and “Bridge” party this day, hour to be announced in official program, also at opening of the convention. Refreshments.

8:00 P. M. “*Supreme Lodge Reception and Ball.*” Supreme Lodge Reception and Ball, Curtis Hotel.

THURSDAY, *August 12th:*

9:00 A. M. Supreme Lodge and Supreme Temple in regular session.

NOTE: Supreme Lodge and Supreme Temple requested to hold either one prolonged session, or one regular and one short session, on this day.

3:00 P. M. “*St. Paul Day.*” Pythian visitors will leave the Curtis and Leamington hotels, via automobiles, for St. Paul, stopping at the State Capitol, where the Governor will extend an informal reception. Visitors will be photographed on the Capitol steps. Under charge of the St. Paul Pythian Committee, visitors will be tendered an automobile trip around the city and its environs, followed by refreshments and a special program of entertainment. Guests will be returned to Minneapolis via automobiles.

8:00 P. M. "*G. K. R. S. Banquet.*" Biennial banquet and "get together" of the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal Association, at place to be selected by the officers of said association.

FRIDAY, *August 13th:*

9:00 A. M. Supreme Lodge and Supreme Temple in regular session.

NOTE: Supreme Lodge and Supreme Temple requested to hold either one prolonged session, or one regular and one short session, on this day.

3:00 P. M. "*Excursion to Minnetonka.*" Pythian visitors will be escorted from the Curtis and Leamington hotels to Spring Park, Lake Minnetonka. Boat trip on Upper and Lower Lake, viewing this magnificent mirror of beauty, Nature's gem-lake, with its many beautiful isles and 200 miles of shore-line summer homes. Dinner—a substantial meal—will be served at the Hotel Del Otero, followed by entertainment. Return trip from Spring Park to Minneapolis direct to hotel headquarters.

8:30 P. M. "*D. O. K. K. Ceremonial.*" Dramatic Order Knights of Khorassan; Initiation Ceremonial by Mahrah Temple No. 77. Something doing. Remember this day and date—could anything be better: "Friday the 13th."

SATURDAY, *August 14th:*

10:00 A. M. Supreme Lodge in regular session, also the Supreme Temple, unless that body shall have adjourned its convention. Supreme Lodge to hold but one session this day, unless by reason of its business, it should decide otherwise.

NOTE: Afternoon and evening for week-end recreation, shopping, visiting and sight-seeing.

3:00 P. M. "*Root, Ye Rooters.*" Base Ball at Nicollet Park: Minneapolis vs. Indianapolis. This will furnish a fine opportunity for the "fans" to take part in the greatest of American games.

SUNDAY, *August 15th:*

11:00 A. M. "*Memorial Service—Our Honored Dead.*" Supreme Lodge Biennial Memorial Service at the Church of the Redeemer, under direct auspices of the Supreme Lodge Committee on Necrology, aided by local committee. Special musical features and appropriate decorations. All Pythian visitors, local members of the order and their friends, cordially invited. Addresses not to exceed two in number, subject to program to be arranged in accordance with the wishes of the committee.

MONDAY, *August 16th:*

Supreme Lodge to hold two, or three regular sessions this day, as the business before the convention may require.

8:00 P. M. "*Minnesota's Golden Jubilee.*" Local subordinate lodges may arrange an appropriate program at Pythian Hall, or elsewhere, in commemoration of the first half-century following the order's introduction in Minnesota.

TUESDAY, *August 17th:*

Supreme Lodge to hold final session, or sessions, this day, as the work of the convention may demand.

In the event that adjournment is taken this day, or the day following, the reception committee will extend the same courtesies to departing guests as were shown them on their arrival.

## “MINNESOTA’S WELCOME”

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Inaugurating the general program of reception and entertainment preliminary to the formal opening of the thirty-first regular convention of the Supreme Lodge, a general gathering of members of the Supreme Lodge, the Supreme Temple Pythian Sisters, visiting Pythian bodies, local members of the order and their families and friends, was held Monday evening, August 9th, 1920, at the Church of the Redeemer, Rev. Marion D. Shutter, pastor.

This occasion was designed to commemorate the formal “welcome” of all visiting Pythian bodies and members of their families, by the State of Minnesota, the Twin Cities, and the order at large in the entertaining grand domain. Holding such exercises on the evening preceding, rather than at the convention hall at the opening session of the convention (as heretofore customary), was deemed especially appropriate as meeting the convenience of the greater number of visitors, who generously expressed their appreciation of this marked innovation.

Rev. Marion D. Shutter expressed his personal pleasure, and that of the members of his Church, in welcoming the representatives “of one of the world’s largest and greatest Fraternities” in holding their opening exercises in the Church of the Redeemer.

Hon. James Robertson, Past Supreme Representative and President of the Knights of Pythias Biennial Convention Association, presided, and on behalf of said Association, the subordinate lodges and members of the order in the city and grand domain, extended an appropriate welcome to all Pythian visitors, and formally introduced the Governor and the Mayors of Minneapolis and St. Paul, who, in turn, welcomed the Supreme Lodge and kindred Pythian bodies.

Preceding the formal addresses, copies of the “Pythian Song Book” were distributed to the assembled guests, the entire audience uniting in community singing, fraternal and patriotic selections.

His Excellency, Hon. J. A. A. Burnquist, Governor of Minnesota, on behalf of the “citizenship, the manhood and womanhood of this state,” eloquently welcomed the Supreme Lodge and all visiting Pythians and their families and friends to “the State of the North Star.”

Hon. James E. Meyers, Mayor of Minneapolis, on behalf of the citizens of the entertaining city, voiced the “high appreciation we feel in being honored with your presence.”

Hon. Laurence C. Hodgson, Mayor of St. Paul, eloquently represented "the other twin" in "bidding each and all welcome to two of the fairest, most happy and prosperous cities on the American continent."

It is due to be here mentioned that, several weeks preceding the opening date of the convention, the Governor and the two Mayors each addressed a personal letter to the officers and members of the Supreme Lodge, extending an early and first-hand word of greeting.

Responses to the formal addresses of welcome were delivered by Supreme Chancellor Charles S. Davis, representing the order of Knights of Pythias, and Mrs. Elizabeth J. Hutchinson, Supreme Chief, representing the order of Pythian Sisters.

Throughout all addresses there ran the vein of fraternity, patriotism, service to mankind, and the great responsibilities resting upon all organizations, and organized society in every form, to fashion and insure a higher measure of brotherhood and unity in promoting the arts of progressive civilization.

The exercises of the evening were interspersed by numerous musical selections, instrumental and vocal, the renditions of the Arpi Male Chorus being especially appreciated. The Church auditorium was handsomely and appropriately decorated with flowers, palms, and the Flags of America and Great Britain, and the Pythian tri-color.

Thus, and in this manner, the thirty-first regular convention of the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias was becomingly and appropriately inaugurated.

FRED E. WHEATON,  
*Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal.*

MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA,  
Monday Evening, August 9th, 1920,  
*Church of the Redeemer.*



## RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

### FIRST DAY

The Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias assembled in its thirty-first regular convention in the beautiful and finely appointed hall of Minneapolis Lodge No. 44, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, City of Minneapolis, Grand Domain of Minnesota, Tuesday, August 10, 1920, at 10:00 o'clock a. m., and was called to order by Supreme Chancellor Charles S. Davis.

Supreme Master at Arms Fred J. G. McArthur, assisted by Past Supreme Representative Edward H. Milham, of Minnesota, performed his official duties, and all present being found entitled to remain, the Supreme Lodge was duly opened in ritualistic form.

#### ORIGINAL ROLL CALL.

The first formal official roll call was ordered and Supreme Lodge Officers and Past Supreme Chancellors were found to be present and grand domains represented as follows:

##### OFFICERS.

|                                                 |                          |
|-------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| <i>Supreme Chancellor</i> .....                 | CHARLES S. DAVIS         |
| <i>Supreme Vice Chancellor</i> .....            | WILLIAM LADEW            |
| <i>Supreme Prelate</i> .....                    | FREDERICK S. ATTWOOD     |
| <i>Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal</i> ..... | FRED E. WHEATON          |
| <i>Supreme Master of Exchequer</i> .....        | THOMAS D. MEARES         |
| <i>Supreme Master at Arms</i> .....             | FREDERICK J. G. McARTHUR |
| <i>Supreme Inner Guard</i> .....                | DOUGLAS S. WRIGHT        |
| <i>Supreme Outer Guard</i> .....                | HENRY M. WADSWORTH       |

##### PAST SUPREME CHANCELLORS.

|                         |                             |
|-------------------------|-----------------------------|
| HENRY P. BROWN.....     | <i>Texas</i>                |
| THOMAS J. CARLING.....  | <i>Georgia</i>              |
| PHILIP T. COLGROVE..... | <i>Michigan</i>             |
| EDWARD DUNN.....        | <i>District of Columbia</i> |
| BRIG S. YOUNG.....      | <i>Ohio</i>                 |

##### SUPREME REPRESENTATIVES

|                               |                                     |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| <i>Alabama</i> .....          | Andrew G. Patterson                 |
| <i>Alberta</i> .....          | John B. Boese                       |
| <i>Arkansas</i> .....         | John J. Doyne                       |
| <i>British Columbia</i> ..... | Noble Binns                         |
| <i>California</i> .....       | Elijah C. Hart, Benjamin F. Bledsoe |
| <i>Colorado</i> .....         | Francis F. Schreiber                |
| <i>Delaware</i> .....         | Theodore V. Simpson                 |

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| <i>District of Columbia</i> ..... | Albert Kahlert                                    |
| <i>Florida</i> .....              | Scott M. Loftin                                   |
| <i>Georgia</i> .....              | Charles M. Milam, Benjamin D. Brantley            |
| <i>Idaho</i> .....                | Charles E. Harris                                 |
| <i>Illinois</i> .....             | Thomas Williamson, William G. Edens               |
| <i>Indiana</i> .....              | Charles F. Remy                                   |
| <i>Iowa</i> .....                 | Joseph N. McCoy                                   |
| <i>Kansas</i> .....               | Rynier V. Brokaw                                  |
| <i>Kentucky</i> .....             | Oleonder H. Pollard                               |
| <i>Louisiana</i> .....            | Benjamin Mendelson                                |
| <i>Maine</i> .....                | Edward C. Plummer                                 |
| <i>Manitoba</i> .....             | Alexander L. Macintyre                            |
| <i>Maritime Provinces</i> .....   | William A. Stewart                                |
| <i>Maryland</i> .....             | William F. Broening, J. Edward Richardson         |
| <i>Massachusetts</i> .....        | John Ballantyne, Merrill L. Welcker               |
| <i>Michigan</i> .....             | Victor Hawkins                                    |
| <i>Mississippi</i> .....          | Gus C. Kendall                                    |
| <i>Missouri</i> .....             | Joseph J. Crites, Leroy H. Kelsey                 |
| <i>Montana</i> .....              | Ernest C. Baxter                                  |
| <i>Nebraska</i> .....             | William I. Allen                                  |
| <i>Nevada</i> .....               | Nathaniel E. Wilson                               |
| <i>New Hampshire</i> .....        | Frank M. Beckford                                 |
| <i>New Jersey</i> .....           | William D. Quick                                  |
| <i>North Dakota</i> .....         | James A. Dinnie                                   |
| <i>Ohio</i> .....                 | Arthur E. Kerns, Jacob Woehrl, William Schuchardt |
| <i>Oklahoma</i> .....             | Harold C. Brunt                                   |
| <i>Oregon</i> .....               | James H. Gwinn                                    |
| <i>Pennsylvania</i> .....         | H. Oscar Kline, Benjamin Moore                    |
| <i>Rhode Island</i> .....         | Maxwell B. McMillen                               |
| <i>South Dakota</i> .....         | Charles N. Herreid                                |
| <i>Tennessee</i> .....            | Henry W. Stratton                                 |
| <i>Texas</i> .....                | Henry E. Ellis                                    |
| <i>Utah</i> .....                 | Samuel N. Randolph                                |
| <i>Vermont</i> .....              | William A. MacDonald                              |
| <i>Virginia</i> .....             | Charles D. Fox                                    |
| <i>Washington</i> .....           | Robert M. Dye                                     |
| <i>West Virginia</i> .....        | W. Frank Stout                                    |
| <i>Wisconsin</i> .....            | Joseph Schroeder, Richard S. Witte                |
| <i>Wyoming</i> .....              | Samuel Dickinson                                  |

### MEMBER EXCUSED.

On motion of Supreme Representative Pollard, of Kentucky, Supreme Representative Robert L. Slade, of Kentucky, was excused from attendance at this session.

### PAST GRAND CHANCELLORS REPORTED.

The Committee on Credentials submitted the appended report, which, on motion, was unanimously adopted:

#### Document 1.

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Credentials has the honor to report that we have carefully examined the certificates of past grand chancellors, as filed in the office of the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal, and submit thereon the following report:

## BY SERVICE AS GRAND CHANCELLOR.

We find that the persons named below have become entitled to the honor of past grand chancellor since the last convention of the Supreme Lodge, by reason of service as grand chancellor of their respective grand domains, in accordance with the provisions of the Supreme constitution. They, therefore, are entitled to receive the Supreme Lodge rank, and we recommend that it be conferred upon them:

|                                   |                                                   |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|
| <i>Alabama</i> .....              | Robert H. Mangum, Allen Crenshaw                  |
| <i>Alberta</i> .....              | John C. Wainright, Albert J. H. Donahoe           |
| <i>Arizona</i> .....              | Fred H. Smith, J. Oscar Mullen                    |
| <i>Arkansas</i> .....             | George J. Gray, Burwell W. Benton                 |
| <i>British Columbia</i> .....     | A. E. Kincaid                                     |
| <i>California</i> .....           | Gabriel P. Cummings, Clarence W. Guerin           |
| <i>Colorado</i> .....             | Charles A. Ballreich, Omar C. Hickman             |
| <i>Connecticut</i> .....          | Nehemiah Candee, Manlius H. Norton                |
| <i>Delaware</i> .....             | Harry J. Keen, J. Percy Golt                      |
| <i>District of Columbia</i> ..... | James N. Kline, Perry P. Patrick                  |
| <i>Florida</i> .....              | Wiley J. Williams, Jr., William M. Gober          |
| <i>Georgia</i> .....              | Samuel J. Bell, Jacob Gazan                       |
| <i>Idaho</i> .....                | Thomas R. Jones, John N. Nankervis                |
| <i>Illinois</i> .....             | Walter C. Hayes                                   |
| <i>Indiana</i> .....              | Frank J. Heller, Charles L. Pulliam               |
| <i>Iowa</i> .....                 | J. Fred Rall, Garrett M. Van Ausdall              |
| <i>Kansas</i> .....               | William T. Williams                               |
| <i>Kentucky</i> .....             | Aubrey Barbour, John J. Howe                      |
| <i>Louisiana</i> .....            | John Gamble, Charles Hawkins                      |
| <i>Maine</i> .....                | Clarence Webber, Fred L. Sylvester                |
| <i>Manitoba</i> .....             | A. Sydney Barnes                                  |
| <i>Maritime Provinces</i> .....   | Robert B. Slipp, Stanley J. Soley                 |
| <i>Maryland</i> .....             | John R. Hopwood, James S. Webster                 |
| <i>Massachusetts</i> .....        | Walter L. Stevens, Albert F. Kirkby               |
| <i>Michigan</i> .....             | Robert J. West, James P. Hughes                   |
| <i>Minnesota</i> .....            | John B. Richards                                  |
| <i>Mississippi</i> .....          | Edward Yerger                                     |
| <i>Missouri</i> .....             | Walter G. Rathbone, Paul P. Hinchey               |
| <i>Montana</i> .....              | Algie M. Brandenburg, John E. Rees                |
| <i>Nebraska</i> .....             | Henry M. Weeks, Roy A. Dodge                      |
| <i>Nevada</i> .....               | John G. Huntington                                |
| <i>New Hampshire</i> .....        | James Marshall, Joseph W. Tilton, Edward C. Smith |
| <i>New Jersey</i> .....           | Milo S. Borden, Louis H. Schenck                  |
| <i>New Mexico</i> .....           | Charles A. Whited, Lawrence V. Medley             |
| <i>New York</i> .....             | Henry W. Hill, George Addington                   |
| <i>North Carolina</i> .....       | Byron Clark                                       |
| <i>North Dakota</i> .....         | Carl B. Bach, Granville W. Wolbert                |
| <i>Ohio</i> .....                 | Albert A. Wormwood, Elijah W. Tidd                |
| <i>Oklahoma</i> .....             | James C. Gilmore, James D. Carmichael             |
| <i>Ontario</i> .....              | Alfred W. Wilkes, W. H. Corrie                    |
| <i>Oregon</i> .....               | Leslie E. Crouch, Fred J. Johnson                 |
| <i>Pennsylvania</i> .....         | Louis Jacoby, Norval R. Daugherty                 |
| <i>Quebec</i> .....               | Louis Wolfe                                       |
| <i>Rhode Island</i> .....         | Fred D. Burdick, Reid Kellogg                     |
| <i>South Carolina</i> .....       | Louis J. Bristow, Oliver J. Bond                  |
| <i>South Dakota</i> .....         | John L. Ruckman                                   |
| <i>Tennessee</i> .....            | Aaron A. Bergeda, Letcher A. Ligon                |
| <i>Texas</i> .....                | Pat M. Neff, Robert H. Bingham                    |
| <i>Utah</i> .....                 | James Terry, Jr., William Waters                  |
| <i>Vermont</i> .....              | Eugene J. Berry, Levi F. Miner                    |

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| <i>Virginia</i> .....      | J. Walter Witten, A. L. Lucas          |
| <i>Washington</i> .....    | Fred G. Cook, George E. Tew            |
| <i>West Virginia</i> ..... | James W. Robinson, Elbert W. Bush      |
| <i>Wisconsin</i> .....     | Herbert E. Swett, Matthew L. Gregerson |
| <i>Wyoming</i> .....       | Dallas A. Tinkcom, Elmer E. Cragle     |

BY SERVICE AS GRAND KEEPER OF RECORDS AND SEAL.

We further find that, in accordance with the provisions of the Supreme constitution, the undernamed became entitled to the honor of past grand chancellor by reason of service "for ten consecutive years" as grand keeper of records and seal of their respective grand domains:

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|-------------------------|---------------------|
| <i>Minnesota</i> .....  | Pliny W. McAllister |
| <i>Nevada</i> .....     | Samuel H. Rosenthal |
| <i>Washington</i> ..... | Harry M. Love       |

BY SERVICE AS GRAND MASTER OF EXCHEQUER.

By reason of service as grand master of exchequer in their respective grand domains "for ten consecutive years," the following named persons have become entitled to the honor of past grand chancellor:

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|---------------------------------|---------------------|
| <i>Kansas</i> .....             | Frederick A. Wilcox |
| <i>Kentucky</i> .....           | Bernice P. Eubank   |
| <i>Maritime Provinces</i> ..... | John R. Polley      |

Fraternally submitted,

J. EDWARD RICHARDSON, *Chairman*.  
 ROBERT G. LOUCKS,  
 GEORGE E. RITCHIE,  
 NATHANIEL E. WILSON,  
 WILLIAM D. QUICK,  
 BENJAMIN H. STEIN,  
 HARRY A. THOMPSON,  
 HAROLD C. BRUNT, *Committee*.

PAST CHANCELLORS—OUTLYING LODGES.

The Committee on Credentials submitted the appended report, which, on motion, was unanimously adopted:

**Document 2.**

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Credentials has the honor to report that we have carefully examined the certificates of past chancellors, as filed in the office of the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal by lodges under immediate control, and submit thereon the following report:

BY SERVICE AS CHANCELLOR COMMANDER.

We find that the persons named below have become entitled to the honor of past chancellor since the last convention of the Supreme Lodge by reason of service as chancellor commander of their respective subordinate lodges, in accordance with the provisions of the Supreme constitution, and we recommend the publication of their names in the official record:

*Alaska*—Cordova Lodge No. 3, Cordova—Price E. Nettleton.

*Canal Zone*—Panama Canal Lodge No. 1, Balboa—Daniel E. Genac, Nye B. Sheritt, Charles F. Johnson, George C. Chevalier.  
 Canal Zone Lodge No. 2, Cristobal—B. J. Fletcher, S. J. Ashton.



- Hawaii*—Aloha Lodge No. 3, Wailuku—H. S. Perry, J. H. Pratt.  
 Mystic Lodge No. 2, Honolulu—Harry J. Evensen, Howard B. West,  
 Ernest Gibson, E. L. Bellinger.  
 Maile Lodge No. 4, Honokaa—J. K. White, William M. Rickard.  
 Hilo Lodge No. 7, Hilo—M. Coito, Jr., N. S. Farr.  
 William McKinley Lodge No. 8, Honolulu—William A. F. Branco,  
 George W. McWhorter, Ruby S. Bagley, Arthur G. Eggleston.
- Saskatchewan*—Capital City Lodge No. 1, Regina—Fred A. Findlay, John R.  
 Bunn, Jr., Peter McMartin, E. Roy Demaray.  
 Wascana Lodge No. 9, Regina—Robert E. Turnbull.  
 Moosomin Lodge No. 17, Moosomin—George V. McGuirl, Wm. Bennett.  
 Hiawatha Lodge No. 21, Fleming—Ernest Davey, Robert J. Rutherford,  
 Edward Shillingford.  
 Syracuse Lodge No. 30, Swift Current—S. H. Mitchell, S. R. Moore,  
 George Lyne.  
 Melfort Lodge No. 34, Melfort—Arthur T. Cawardine, Alexis I. Kra-  
 censki.  
 Maidstone Lodge No. 35, Maidstone—Ewing W. McLaren.
- Philippines*—William McKinley Lodge No. 1, Manila—John C. McMahon,  
 Ed. M. Chervenka.

#### BY SERVICE AS MASTER OF FINANCE.

*Saskatchewan*—Hiawatha Lodge No. 21, Fleming—Walter Robinson.

Faternally submitted,

J. EDWARD RICHARDSON, *Chairman.*  
 ROBERT G. LOUCKS,  
 GEORGE E. RITCHIE,  
 NATHANIEL E. WILSON,  
 WILLIAM D. QUICK,  
 BENJAMIN H. STEIN,  
 HARRY A. THOMPSON,  
 HAROLD C. BRUNT, *Committee.*

#### SUPREME LODGE RANK CONFERRED.

The Supreme Master at Arms introduced the following past grand chancellors on whom the Supreme Lodge rank was conferred in ritualistic form:

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|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <i>Alabama</i> .....              | Benj. A. Taylor, Graham Perdue                                                                      |
| <i>Arizona</i> .....              | Horace P. Merrill, John E. Newbury                                                                  |
| <i>Arkansas</i> .....             | Burwell W. Burton, Chas. A. Darland                                                                 |
| <i>California</i> .....           | Robert C. Loucks, Joseph C. Brown                                                                   |
| <i>Colorado</i> .....             | Chas. A. Ballreich                                                                                  |
| <i>Delaware</i> .....             | George H. Otwell                                                                                    |
| <i>District of Columbia</i> ..... | John B. Dickman                                                                                     |
| <i>Florida</i> .....              | Hilton S. Hampton                                                                                   |
| <i>Idaho</i> .....                | Thomas R. Jones                                                                                     |
| <i>Illinois</i> .....             | John J. Reeve                                                                                       |
| <i>Indiana</i> .....              | Frank Bowers, Frank A. Priest, Frank J. Heller                                                      |
| <i>Iowa</i> .....                 | Clement F. Kimball                                                                                  |
| <i>Kansas</i> .....               | Al. F. Williams                                                                                     |
| <i>Maritime Provinces</i> .....   | George E. Ritchie                                                                                   |
| <i>Massachusetts</i> .....        | Harlan P. Knight                                                                                    |
| <i>Michigan</i> .....             | Robert J. West                                                                                      |
| <i>Minnesota</i> .....            | Abner C. Godfrey, Charles S. Bradt, James<br>A. Wharton, Andrew J. Meacham, Pliny W.<br>McAllister. |

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| <i>Missouri</i> .....       | Herman Roleke                                                                                  |
| <i>Montana</i> .....        | John H. Vogel                                                                                  |
| <i>Nebraska</i> .....       | Harry E. Siman                                                                                 |
| <i>Nevada</i> .....         | Clark J. Guild                                                                                 |
| <i>New Hampshire</i> .....  | Charles A. Frost                                                                               |
| <i>New Mexico</i> .....     | Marcellus McCreary                                                                             |
| <i>New York</i> .....       | Clarence MacGregor, Edward S. O'Connor,<br>John Stevenson.                                     |
| <i>North Carolina</i> ..... | William C. Crist                                                                               |
| <i>North Dakota</i> .....   | Carl B. Bach, Edward C. Anderson,<br>Charles A. Grow, Clarence S. Dustin.                      |
| <i>Ohio</i> .....           | Albert A. Wormwood                                                                             |
| <i>Oklahoma</i> .....       | Samuel E. Gidney, Albert O. Romine,<br>Otis L. Snow, James C. Gilmore, James<br>D. Carmichael. |
| <i>Ontario</i> .....        | Thomas Towers                                                                                  |
| <i>Oregon</i> .....         | Leslie E. Crouch                                                                               |
| <i>Rhode Island</i> .....   | Henry J. Eltz                                                                                  |
| <i>South Carolina</i> ..... | Louis J. Bristow, Herbert E. Gyles                                                             |
| <i>South Dakota</i> .....   | John L. Ruckman                                                                                |
| <i>Tennessee</i> .....      | William B. Stewart                                                                             |
| <i>Utah</i> .....           | Louis N. Meid                                                                                  |
| <i>Vermont</i> .....        | Robert Weir                                                                                    |
| <i>Washington</i> .....     | Harry M. Love                                                                                  |
| <i>West Virginia</i> .....  | Samuel B. Montgomery, Sam R. Nuzum                                                             |

### SUPREME REPRESENTATIVES.

The Committee on Credentials submitted the appended report, which, on motion, was unanimously adopted:

#### Document 3.

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:* ☐

Your Committee on Credentials has carefully examined the credentials of Supreme Representatives, as filed in the office of the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal, and submit thereon the appended report:

We find that the past grand chancellors named below are entitled to seats in this body as Supreme Representatives of their respective grand domains for the term beginning January 1, 1920, and ending December 31, 1923, by virtue of election under the provisions of the Supreme constitution and statutes:

|                                   |                                                     |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|
| <i>Alabama</i> .....              | Graham Perdue, Benjamin A. Taylor                   |
| <i>Alberta</i> .....              | Charles F. P. Conybeare                             |
| <i>Arizona</i> .....              | Horace P. Merrill                                   |
| <i>Arkansas</i> .....             | Charles A. Darland                                  |
| <i>British Columbia</i> .....     | Eldon S. H. Winn                                    |
| <i>California</i> .....           | Robert G. Loucks, Joseph C. Brown                   |
| <i>Colorado</i> .....             | Charles A. Ballreich                                |
| <i>Connecticut</i> .....          | Vincent M. King                                     |
| <i>Delaware</i> .....             | George H. Otwell                                    |
| <i>District of Columbia</i> ..... | John B. Dickman                                     |
| <i>Florida</i> .....              | Hilton S. Hampton                                   |
| <i>Georgia</i> .....              | Miller S. Bell                                      |
| <i>Idaho</i> .....                | Thomas R. Jones                                     |
| <i>Illinois</i> .....             | William K. Whitfield, John J. Reeve, John B. Vaughn |
| <i>Indiana</i> .....              | Frank A. Priest, Frank Bowers, Frank J. Heller      |
| <i>Iowa</i> .....                 | James W. Hunter, Clement F. Kimball                 |
| <i>Kansas</i> .....               | Al. F. Williams                                     |

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|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|
| <i>Kentucky</i> .....           | Harry A. Schoberth                                        |
| <i>Louisiana</i> .....          | Will L. Erwin                                             |
| <i>Maine</i> .....              | John H. Maxwell, Will A. Gilman                           |
| <i>Manitoba</i> .....           | William Middleton                                         |
| <i>Maritime Provinces</i> ..... | George E. Ritchie                                         |
| <i>Maryland</i> .....           | Reno S. Harp                                              |
| <i>Massachusetts</i> .....      | D. Sidney Woodworth, Harlan P. Knight                     |
| <i>Michigan</i> .....           | James A. Muir, Albert E. Sharpe                           |
| <i>Minnesota</i> .....          | DeForrest Ward                                            |
| <i>Mississippi</i> .....        | Benjamin H. Stein                                         |
| <i>Missouri</i> .....           | Edgar M. Harber, Frank B. Hiller                          |
| <i>Montana</i> .....            | John H. Vogel                                             |
| <i>Nebraska</i> .....           | Harry E. Siman                                            |
| <i>Nevada</i> .....             | Clark J. Guild                                            |
| <i>New Hampshire</i> .....      | Charles A. Frost                                          |
| <i>New Jersey</i> .....         | John H. Conger, Henry A. Heinrichs                        |
| <i>New Mexico</i> .....         | Hugh H. Williams                                          |
| <i>New York</i> .....           | William Grossman, Clarence MacGregor                      |
| <i>North Carolina</i> .....     | William C. Crist                                          |
| <i>North Dakota</i> .....       | Edward C. Anderson                                        |
| <i>Ohio</i> .....               | Charles J. Deckman, Albert A. Wormwood                    |
| <i>Oklahoma</i> .....           | Frank E. Duncan                                           |
| <i>Ontario</i> .....            | Thomas Towers                                             |
| <i>Oregon</i> .....             | Frank S. Grant                                            |
| <i>Pennsylvania</i> .....       | James A. Steese, James W. Hutchison,<br>Harry A. Thompson |
| <i>Quebec</i> .....             | Wilson M. Cairns                                          |
| <i>Rhode Island</i> .....       | Henry J. Eltz, Jr.                                        |
| <i>South Carolina</i> .....     | Alva M. Lumpkin, Louis J. Bristow                         |
| <i>South Dakota</i> .....       | J. Carlyle Southwick                                      |
| <i>Tennessee</i> .....          | William B. Stewart                                        |
| <i>Texas</i> .....              | Thomas T. Connally, Charles F. Weiland                    |
| <i>Utah</i> .....               | Louis N. Meid                                             |
| <i>Vermont</i> .....            | Robert Weir                                               |
| <i>Virginia</i> .....           | George C. Cabell                                          |
| <i>Washington</i> .....         | John Forbes, Fred W. Agatz                                |
| <i>West Virginia</i> .....      | James H. Beans, John P. Arbenz                            |
| <i>Wisconsin</i> .....          | Richard I. Warner                                         |
| <i>Wyoming</i> .....            | Arthur L. Putnam                                          |

#### REPRESENTATIVES TO FILL VACANCIES.

We find that the following named past grand chancellors are entitled to seats in this body as Supreme Representatives of their respective grand domains, for the reasons and for the periods named hereunder:

*British Columbia*—Noble Binns, elected to fill vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Supreme Representative John W. Bennett—to serve until December 31, 1921.

*Iowa*—Benjamin I. Salinger, Sr., elected Supreme Representative to fill vacancy caused by resignation of Frank L. Ferris—to serve until December 31, 1921.

*Indiana*—John M. Lewis appointed to fill vacancy occasioned by the resignation of James E. Watson—to serve until December 31, 1921.

*Michigan*—Robert J. West, appointed to fill vacancy occasioned by resignation of Supreme Representative Hugh E. Van de Walker—to serve for this convention.

*Minnesota*—James A. Wharton, appointed to fill vacancy caused by the death of Supreme Representative Carroll S. Bartram—to serve until December 31, 1921.

*New York*—Edward S. O'Connor, elected to fill vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Supreme Representative Edward A. Gifford—to serve until December 31, 1921. John Stevenson, elected to fill vacancy occasioned by the election of William Ladew as Supreme Vice Chancellor—to serve until December 31, 1921.

*Ontario*—Alfred W. Wilkes, elected alternate for Supreme Representative Oscar Rumpel, resigned—to serve until December 31, 1921.

*Oregon*—Leslie E. Crouch, appointed additional Supreme Representative by reason of membership increase—to serve until next election.

*North Carolina*—William W. Willson, appointed to fill vacancy occasioned by resignation of George L. Hackney, Supreme Representative—to serve until December 31, 1921.

*Saskatchewan*—R. George McCuish, elected Supreme Representative for this district as per official returns received from subordinate lodges—to serve until December 31, 1921.

*South Carolina*—Herbert E. Gyles, appointed to fill vacancy caused by resignation of Supreme Representative Mendel L. Smith—to serve until close of this convention.

Fraternally submitted,

J. EDWARD RICHARDSON, *Chairman*.  
ROBERT G. LOUCKS,  
GEORGE E. RITCHIE,  
NATHANIEL E. WILSON,  
WILLIAM D. QUICK,  
BENJAMIN H. STEIN,  
HARRY A. THOMPSON,  
HAROLD C. BRUNT,

*Committee.*

### THE OFFICIAL ROLL.

The official roll of Supreme Representatives for this convention was made up as follows:

*Alabama*—Andrew G. Patterson, Graham Perdue, Benjamin A. Taylor.

*Alberta*—John B. Boese, Charles F. P. Conybeare.

*Arizona*—John E. Newbury, Horace P. Merrill.

*Arkansas*—John J. Doyne, Charles A. Darland.

*British Columbia*—Noble Binns, Eldon S. H. Winn.

*California*—Elijah C. Hart, Benjamin F. Bledsoe, Robert G. Loucks, Joseph C. Brown.

*Colorado*—Francis F. Schreiber, Charles A. Ballreich.

*Connecticut*—Vincent M. King, Charles A. Gates.

*Delaware*—Theodore V. Simpson, George H. Otwell.

*District of Columbia*—Albert Kahlert, John B. Dickman.

*Florida*—Scott M. Loftin, Hilton S. Hampton.

*Georgia*—Charles M. Milam, Benjamin D. Brantley, Miller S. Bell.

*Idaho*—Charles E. Harris, Thomas R. Jones.

*Illinois*—William G. Edens, Thomas Williamson, John B. Vaughn, William K. Whitfield, John J. Reeve.

*Indiana*—Charles F. Remy, Frank A. Priest, Frank J. Heller, Frank Bowers, John M. Lewis.

*Iowa*—Joseph N. McCoy, James W. Hunter, Clement F. Kimball, Benj. I. Salinger.



- Kansas*—Rynier V. Brokaw, Al. F. Williams.  
*Kentucky*—Oleonder H. Pollard, Robert L. Slade, Harry A. Schoberth.  
*Louisiana*—Benjamin Mendelson, Will L. Erwin.  
*Maine*—Edward C. Plummer, John H. Maxwell, Will A. Gilman.  
*Manitoba*—William Middleton, Alexander L. MacIntyre.  
*Maritime Provinces*—William A. Stewart, George E. Ritchie.  
*Maryland*—William F. Broening, J. Edward Richardson, Reno S. Harp.  
*Massachusetts*—John Ballantyne, Merrill L. Welcker, D. Sidney Woodworth, Harlan P. Knight.  
*Michigan*—Victor Hawkins, James A. Muir, Albert E. Sharpe, Robert J. West.  
*Minnesota*—James A. Wharton, DeForrest Ward.  
*Mississippi*—Gus C. Kendall, Benjamin H. Stein.  
*Missouri*—Joseph J. Crites, Leroy H. Kelsey, Edgar M. Harber, Frank B. Hiller.  
*Montana*—Ernest C. Baxter, John H. Vogel.  
*Nebraska*—William I. Allen, Harry E. Siman.  
*Nevada*—Nathaniel E. Wilson, Clark J. Guild.  
*New Hampshire*—Frank M. Beckford, Charles A. Frost.  
*New Jersey*—William D. Quick, John H. Conger, Henry A. Heinrichs.  
*New Mexico*—Marcellus McCreary, Hugh H. Williams.  
*New York*—William Grossman, Clarence MacGregor, Edward S. O'Connor, John Stevenson.  
*North Carolina*—William C. Crist, William W. Willson.  
*North Dakota*—James A. Dinnie, Edward C. Anderson.  
*Ohio*—Arthur E. Kerns, Jacob Woehrle, William Schuchardt, Charles J. Deckman, Albert A. Wormwood.  
*Oklahoma*—Harold C. Brunt, Frank E. Duncan.  
*Ontario*—Thomas Towers, James G. Wilson.  
*Oregon*—James H. Gwinn, Frank S. Grant, Leslie E. Crouch.  
*Pennsylvania*—H. Oscar Kline, Benjamin Moore, James A. Steese, James W. Hutchinson, Harry A. Thompson.  
*Quebec*—A. Sterling Morrison, Wilson M. Cairns.  
*Rhode Island*—Maxwell B. McMillen, Henry J. Eltz, Jr.  
*Saskatchewan*—R. George McCuish.  
*South Carolina*—Louis J. Bristow, Alva M. Lumpkin, Herbert E. Gyles.  
*South Dakota*—Charles N. Herreid, J. Carlyle Southwick.  
*Tennessee*—Henry W. Stratton, William B. Stewart.  
*Texas*—Raymond H. Buck, Henry E. Ellis, Thomas T. Connally, Charles F. Weiland.  
*Utah*—Louis N. Meid, Samuel L. Randolph.  
*Vermont*—William A. MacDonald, Robert Weir.  
*Virginia*—Charles D. Fox, George C. Cabell.  
*Washington*—Robert M. Dye, John Forbes, Fred W. Agatz.  
*West Virginia*—Samuel R. Nuzum, James H. Beans, John P. Arbenz, W. Frank Stout.  
*Wisconsin*—Joseph Schroeder, Richard S. Witte, Richard I. Warner.  
*Wyoming*—Samuel Dickinson, Arthur L. Putnam.

#### RECORD OF 1918 APPROVED.

The Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal commenced reading the Official Record of the Supreme Lodge, Convention of 1918, whereupon Supreme Representative Witte of Wisconsin moved "that the further reading be dispensed with and the Official Record of 1918 be approved as printed," which motion prevailed.

### REPORTS OF OFFICERS.

The official biennial report of the Supreme Chancellor, the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal, the Supreme Master of Exchequer, and the quarterly reports of the Committee on Finance, were submitted in printed form, and, on motion, were ordered "referred to the Committee on Subdivision and Reference." (*See reports, ante, p. 3, et seq.*)

(For report of committee, see document 5.)

### REPORT OF THE BOARD OF CONTROL.

The biennial report of the Board of Control, Insurance Department, was submitted in printed form and ordered "referred to the Committee on Insurance Department."

### REPORT OF MAJOR GENERAL.

Announcement was made that the biennial report of the Major General commanding the Military Department was ready for submission in printed form, whereupon, on motion, the report was ordered "referred to the Committee on Military Department."

### REPORT OF WAR RELIEF COMMISSION.

The biennial report of the Pythian War Relief Commission was submitted in printed form, and ordered "referred to the Committee on Subdivision and Reference."

### SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT OF S. M. E.

The Supreme Master of Exchequer submitted the appended supplementary report, which report, on motion, was ordered "referred to the Committee on Finance:"

#### Document 4.

WILMINGTON, N. C., August 1, 1920.

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

I beg to submit the following statement of receipts and disbursements of this office for the month of July 1920.

#### RECEIPTS.

|                                  |              |
|----------------------------------|--------------|
| July 1st—Balance on hand .....   | \$108,711.17 |
| July 3rd—Receipts for June ..... | 4,610.05     |

\$113,321.22

#### DISBURSEMENTS.

| To Whom Paid                                  | No.  | Amount    |
|-----------------------------------------------|------|-----------|
| Charles S. Davis, S. C. .... Salary—June      | 7516 | \$ 400.00 |
| Fred E. Wheaton, S. K. R. S. .... Salary—June | 7517 | 400.00    |
| John P. McCracken. .... Salary—June           | 7518 | 165.00    |
| Miss Agnes Lyndahl. .... Salary—June          | 7519 | 90.00     |
| Miami Corporation. .... Rent                  | 7520 | 117.00    |
| Thos. D. Meares, S. M. E. .... Salary.        | 7521 | 100.00    |
| Miss L. S. S. Rathbone. .... Allowance        | 7522 | 75.00     |
| Mrs. Mary B. Vanderveer. .... Allowance       | 7523 | 50.00     |
| Mrs. Catherine E. Ritchie. .... Allowance     | 7524 | 50.00     |
| Wm. H. Loomis. .... Military Department       | 7525 | 150.00    |
| Miss Georgia Hopper. .... Military Department | 7526 | 60.00     |

|                                                    |      |          |
|----------------------------------------------------|------|----------|
| Michigan Trust Co. .... Military Department        | 7527 | 30.00    |
| Mills-Broderick Printing Co Military Department    | 7528 | 279.00   |
| Geo. M. Vogler, Colonel.... Military Department    | 7529 | 22.83    |
| Ralph T. Travis, B. C. .... Military Department    | 7530 | 18.06    |
| Charles S. Davis, S. C. .... Office Expense        | 7531 | 198.65   |
| Charles S. Davis, S. C. .... Pythian Education     | 7532 | 292.96   |
| Fred E. Wheaton, S. K. R. S. .... Office Expense   | 7533 | 84.17    |
| Fred E. Wheaton, S. K. R. S. Traveling Expense     | 7534 | 46.02    |
| Thos. D. Meares, S. M. E. .... Office Expense      | 7535 | 15.36    |
| Thos. D. Meares, S. M. E. .... Typewriter          | 7536 | 89.50    |
| Beygeh Engraving Co. .... Photos and half-tones    | 7537 | 39.66    |
| Ballentine Printing Co. .... Printing              | 7538 | 15.00    |
| Murphy-Travis Co. .... Supplies & Printing         | 7539 | 406.98   |
| Juergens & Anderson Co. .... Supplies              | 7540 | 3,685.64 |
| John P. McCracken. .... Postage & Exp. on Supplies | 7541 | 157.03   |
| M. C. Lilley & Co. .... General Expense            | 7542 | 5.19     |
| Richard S. Witte. .... Finance Committee           | 7543 | 84.03    |
| Charles J. Deckman. .... Finance Committee         | 7544 | 143.81   |
| James A. Steese. .... Finance Committee            | 7545 | 162.12   |
| John B. Vaughn. .... Finance Committee             | 7546 | 98.12    |
| Benjamin D. Brantley. .... Finance Committee       | 7547 | 237.94   |
| Wm. G. Edens. .... Military Department             | 7548 | 10.00    |
| Richard I. Warner. .... Military Department        | 7549 | 27.13    |
| John P. McCracken. .... Emergency Expense          | 7550 | 200.00   |
| Miss Agnes Lyndahl. .... General Expense           | 7551 | 200.00   |
| Wm. H. Loomis. .... Military Department            | 7552 | 750.00   |
| Charles J. Deckman Military Dept.—Encampment       | 7553 | 1,000.00 |

\$9,956.20

August 1st, 1920—Balance on hand. .... \$103,365.02

Fraternally submitted,

THOS. D. MEARES,

*Supreme Master of Exchequer.*

### SUBDIVISION AND REFERENCE.

The Committee on Subdivision and Reference submitted the appended report, which, on motion, was adopted:

#### Document 5.

##### *To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your committee on Subdivision and Reference, to which was referred the reports of the Supreme Chancellor, Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal, and Supreme Master of Exchequer, would respectfully submit the following report, recommending that the various subjects matter be referred to the committees as named hereunder:

##### *To the Committee on Judiciary:*

Those portions of the report of the Supreme Chancellor under the headings: "Infringements of Our Copyrights," "Indian Blood and Membership," "50-Year Veteran Jewel," "One Year Term for Subordinate Lodge Officers," "The Flag Ceremony," "Official Rulings," and "Corrections in Legislation."

Those portions of the report of the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal under the headings: "Good Standing," "Sick Benefits in Lodges," "Law Not Retroactive," "Transfer of Membership," "Reinstatement of Pages and Esquires," "Suspension Certificate Necessary for Reinstatement in Sister Lodge," "Suspension Certificate," "Suspension Certificate Cancelled," "50-Year Veteran Jewel," "Bible at Grand Lodge Conventions," and "Saloon-Keepers and Bar-Tenders."

##### *To the Committee on Ways and Means:*

The introductory portion of the report of the Supreme Chancellor and those portions of said report under the headings: "Increased Minimum Membership Fee," "Five Million Dollar Construction and Endowment Fund," "The War Relief Fund," and "Decision of the Supreme Tribunal."

Those portions of the report of the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal under the headings: "Big Construction Work Demanded," "Pythian Lodge Directory," and "Raising Membership Fees."

*To the Committee on Finance:*

Those portions of the report of the Supreme Chancellor under the headings: "Approval of Surety Bonds," "Biennial Auditing," "Additional Allowance to Miss Rathbone," "Pythian Educational Committee," and "Supreme Lodge Relief Fund."

Those portions of the report of the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal under the headings: "Appropriations and Expenditures," "Official Supplies and Sales," "Rathbone Bible Classes," "Pythian Education," "Statutes Must Be Reprinted," "Table A," and all financial tables.

*To the Committee on State of the Order:*

The introductory portion of the report of the Supreme Chancellor relating to "Membership" and "State of the Order," and those portions of said report under the headings: "Relief in Storm-Stricken Section of Texas," and "Appeals Refused."

Those portions of the report of the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal under the headings: "Country Filled with Ex-Members," and "Defunct Lodges."

*To the Committee on Insurance Department:*

Those portions of the report of the Supreme Chancellor under the headings: "Insurance Department," and "Life Membership Certificates."

That portion of the report of the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal under the heading: "Life Membership."

*To the Committee on Written Work:*

Those portions of the report of the Supreme Chancellor under the headings: "Pythian Catechism" and "Recommendations With Respect to Printed Rituals."

That portion of the report of the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal under the heading: "Ante-Room Ritualism."

*To the Committee on Unwritten Work:*

That portion of the report of the Supreme Chancellor under the heading: "Official Promulgation of the Cipher Ritual."

That portion of the report of the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal under the heading: "Recognition Sign Urged."

*To the Committee on Warrants and Charters:*

That portion of the report of the Supreme Chancellor under the heading: "Duplicate Charter for Illinois."

*To the Committee on Grand Domains:*

Those portions of the report of the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal under the headings: "Annual Membership Statements," "Official Pythian Membership," "Comparative Statement," "Gains or Losses by Grand Domains," "Percentage of Gains or Losses," "Relative Standing," "Outlying Pythian Districts," and "Mexican Lodges."

*To the Committee on Necrology:*

That portion of the report of the Supreme Chancellor under the heading: "Eulogium of Our Departed."



*To the Committee on Pythian Education:*

Those portions of the report of the Supreme Chancellor under the headings: "Department of Education, Publicity and Development," and "The Press, Pythian and Otherwise."

*To the Committee on Good of the Order:*

Those portions of the report of the Supreme Chancellor under the headings: "Extension of the Order Overseas," "The Pythian Sisters," "Dramatic Order Knights of Khorassan," "Departments and Auxiliaries," "Other Relations With the Government," "Decree of the Catholic Church Against the Order of Knights of Pythias," "In Re-Supreme Tabernacle Illustrious Order Knights of the Cross," "The Authors of Our Ritual," "Methods to Prevent Suspensions," "Proposed Simple Methods for Membership Reinstatement," and "Minimum Age, 18, Pythian Juniors."

Those portions of the report of the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal under the headings: "Progressive Pythian Activities," "Pythian Knighthood in Europe," "Membership Status in Absence of Lodge Records," "Reinstatement and Transfer," "Reinstatement Period," "To Lessen Suspensions," and "American Citizenship Medals."

*To the Committee on Military Department:*

That portion of the report of the Supreme Chancellor under the heading: "The Military Department."

*To the Supreme Representatives of Illinois:*

That portion of the report of the Supreme Chancellor under the heading: "The Defalcation of Paul J. B. Haverly."

*Approval Recommended:*

Your committee would recommend that the following topics in the report of the Supreme Chancellor be approved, from the fact that said topics do not seem to require special action by the Supreme Lodge: "The Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal," "Supreme Vice Chancellor," "The Supreme Master of Exchequer," "The President of the Insurance Department," "The Cordiality and Courtesies of Others," "Other Acknowledgments," and "Conclusion-Progress."

We further recommend the approval by the Supreme Lodge of those portions of the report of the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal under the headings: "Tribunals Out of Work," "Looking After Delinquents," "The Official Pythian Emblem," "Examination of Candidates," "Pythian Flags and Banners," "Fee for Grand Lodge Card," "Certificate of Honor," and "Supreme Chancellor Davis."

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JOSEPH J. CRITES, *Chairman.*  
JOHN J. REEVE,  
JOHN J. DOYNE,  
FRANCIS F. SCHRIEBER,  
JOSEPH SCHROEDER,  
*Committee.*

**DAILY JOURNAL.**

The appended resolution was offered and adopted:

**Document 6.**

*Be it Resolved by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias, That there be*

furnished to each member of the Supreme Lodge ten copies of the Daily Journal of the proceedings of this convention.

RICHARD S. WITTE, *Wis.*  
CHAS. J. DECKMAN, *Ohio.*

### CLERICAL ASSISTANTS.

The appended resolution was offered and adopted:

#### Document 7.

*Be it Resolved by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias*, That the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal be and hereby is authorized to appoint such clerical assistants as may be necessary for the conduct of the proceedings of this convention.

RICHARD S. WITTE, *Wis.*  
CHAS. J. DECKMAN, *Ohio.*

### ASSISTANT S. M. A.

The appended resolution was offered and adopted:

#### Document 8.

*Be it Resolved by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias*, That during this convention of the Supreme Lodge, Past Supreme Representative Edward H. Milham of Minnesota be and is hereby appointed assistant Supreme Master at Arms.

F. J. G. McARTHUR, S. M. A.

### OFFICIAL POSTMASTER.

The appended resolution was offered and adopted:

#### Document 9.

*Be it Resolved*, That Past Supreme Representative Ward Ferguson of Iowa be and is hereby appointed Postmaster for this convention.

DEFORREST WARD, *Minn.*  
JAMES A. WHARTON, *Minn.*

### HOURS OF DAILY SESSION.

The appended resolution was offered and adopted:

#### Document 10.

*Be it Resolved by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias*, That the hours of daily sessions be fixed as follows: Open at 9:30 o'clock a. m., take a recess at 12:00 o'clock noon, convene at 2:00 o'clock p. m., and take a recess at 5:30 o'clock p. m.

RICHARD S. WITTE, *Wis.*  
CHAS. J. DECKMAN, *Ohio.*

### WASTE PAPER BASKETS.

The appended resolution was offered and adopted:

#### Document 11.

*Be it Resolved by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias*, That the Supreme Master at Arms be and hereby is authorized to purchase necessary waste paper baskets for the Supreme Lodge.

CHAS. J. DECKMAN, *Ohio.*  
RICHARD I. WARNER, *Wis.*

**DOCUMENTS FILED FOR PRINTING.**

The appended resolution was offered and adopted:

**Document 12.**

*Be it Resolved by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias, That all proposed legislation, resolutions and reports of committees, filed with the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal by 6:00 o'clock p. m., this day, be printed in the Daily Journal for the information and action of the Supreme Lodge.*

EDGAR M. HARBER, *Mo.*

FRANK B. HILLER, *Mo.*

LEROY H. KELSEY, *Mo.*

JOSEPH J. CRITES, *Mo.*

**ENTERTAINMENT ANNOUNCEMENTS.**

Supreme Representative Wharton, of Minnesota, on behalf of the committee on entertainment of the Knights of Pythias Biennial Convention Association, announced the following features of entertainment as provided in the official program for this day:

*First*—The kind offer of Knight Ernest H. Mazey, of the committee on decorations, to furnish gratis, each day during the convention, a boutonniere for each Supreme Representative, and a flower or bouquet for each visiting lady.

*Second*—Automobile trip around the lakes and boulevards to Minnehaha Falls, starting at hotel headquarters at 2:30 p. m.

*Third*—Official photograph of the Supreme Lodge to be taken at the Third avenue entrance of the Curtis Hotel at 2:00 p. m.

*Fourth*—Reception by Supreme Temple, Pythian Sisters, at the Leamington, at 8:00 p. m.

**CALL OF GRAND DOMAINS.**

On motion of Supreme Representative Ballantyne, of Massachusetts, it was ordered, "that the roll of grand domains be called for the introduction of new business."

On motion of Supreme Representative Vaughn, of Illinois, it was ordered "that all propositions be read by title and referred to committees."

**P. C. HONOR TO M. E.**

The following proposition was presented, passed on first and second reading, and referred to the Committee on Judiciary:

**Document 13.**

A proposition to amend article vi, par. a, of the Supreme constitution, entitled, "The Honors of the Order."

*Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias, That article vi, par. a, of the Supreme constitution be and the same is hereby amended, by inserting in the fifth line thereof after the words "keepers of records and seal," the words, "masters of exchequer" so that said paragraph a, when amended, will read as follows:*

*Par. a.* Past chancellor, which shall be attained, upon the installation of his successor, by every chancellor commander who shall have served to the end of his official term; and, at the institution of a subordinate lodge, by the four members thereof who shall have been chosen by the lodge to receive that honor; and by the keepers of the records and seal, masters of exchequer and masters of finance or subordinate lodges who have served or shall hereafter serve their respective lodges at least five consecutive years in said office.

D. SIDNEY WOODWORTH, *Mass.*

JOHN BALLANTYNE, *Mass.*

MERRILL L. WELCKER, *Mass.*

HARLAN P. KNIGHT, *Mass.*

(For report of committee on this document, recommending its rejection, see document 157; for final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting the report and rejecting the proposition, see proceedings of the sixth day, afternoon session.)

### LODGE ELECTIONS IN SEPTEMBER.

The following proposition was presented, passed on first and second reading, and referred to the Committee on Judiciary:

#### Document 14.

A proposition to amend article xii, section 2, Supreme constitution, entitled, "Subordinate Lodges."

*Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias,* That article xii, section 2, of the Supreme constitution be and the same is hereby amended so that said section shall read as follows:

Sec. 2. The ritualistic officers of a subordinate lodge shall be such as are prescribed in the subordinate lodge ritual. They shall be nominated, elected and installed, and vacancies in office shall be filled, as prescribed by Supreme law. The official terms of such officers shall continue for six months from the first day of January and the first day of July; provided that, in grand domains in which grand lodges so enact, such terms shall continue for twelve months from the first day of January in each year; and providing that grand lodges may enact legislation permitting subordinate lodges having annual election of officers to elect officers in September for the term of one year from the first day of October and until their successors shall have been elected and installed, and providing also for the time of nomination and installation of such officers.

D. SIDNEY WOODWORTH, *Mass.*

JOHN BALLANTYNE, *Mass.*

MERRILL L. WELCKER, *Mass.*

HARLAN P. KNIGHT, *Mass.*

(For report of committee on this document, recommending its rejection, see document 158; for final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting the report and rejecting the proposition see proceedings of the sixth day, afternoon session.)

### QUORUM OF FIVE.

The following proposition was presented, passed on first and second reading, and referred to the Committee on Judiciary:

#### Document 15.

A proposition to amend section 1, article xii of the Supreme constitution.

*Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias,* That section 1, of article xii of the Supreme constitution be amended by striking out the word "seven" in the fourth line of said section and inserting in lieu thereof the word "five," so that said section when so amended will read as follows:



Section 1. A subordinate lodge shall be instituted only as may be prescribed by Supreme law, and shall exist only by virtue of a warrant or charter issued in accordance therewith. It shall consist of not less than fifteen members, five of whom shall constitute a quorum. It shall have and exercise Pythian authority and control over such territory as may be prescribed by law, subject to the laws established by the Supreme government and by its grand lodge. Two or more subordinate lodges may be given concurrent territorial jurisdiction when located in the same city or town or other contiguous territory.

JOSEPH J. CRITES, *Mo.*  
LEROY H. KELSEY, *Mo.*  
EDGAR M. HARBER, *Mo.*  
FRANK B. HILLER, *Mo.*

(For report of committee on this document, recommending its rejection, see document 159; for final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting the report and rejecting the proposition, see proceedings of the sixth day, afternoon session.)

### DIVORCEMENT OF INSURANCE DEPARTMENT.

The appended resolution was offered, read, and referred to the Committee on State of the Order:

#### Document 16.,

WHEREAS, It is claimed that while the insurance department has been in existence for more than forty years, less than ten per cent of the membership in the order carry insurance in said department; and

WHEREAS, The other ninety per cent of our membership have no beneficial or financial interest whatever in the insurance department; and

WHEREAS, It is right and proper that those who carry protection in the insurance department should assume all financial obligations of the department, and should control and manage its affairs; and

WHEREAS, It is right and proper that the remaining ninety per cent of the members of the order who have no part or interest in the insurance department should be relieved of the burdens and responsibility of the care, control and management of such insurance department; now therefore,

*Be It Resolved by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias*, That the Committee on Judiciary be directed to draft appropriate legislation to the end that the insurance department be put under the control of and subject to the sole management of the members of said department; and that complete separation and divorcement of said insurance department from the order Knights of Pythias be had at the earliest time, provided that in no case shall there be any disposition of said insurance department which does not fully protect each and every certificate holder in his rights as fully as same are now protected, either by reinsurance in some reputable established company or otherwise.

LEROY H. KELSEY, *Mo.*  
JOSEPH J. CRITES, *Mo.*  
EDGAR M. HARBER, *Mo.*  
FRANK B. HILLER, *Mo.*

(For report of committee on this document, recommending its rejection, see document 117; for final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting report and rejecting the proposition, see proceedings of the fifth day, morning session.)

### CERTIFICATE OF PROFICIENCY.

The following proposition was presented, passed on first and second reading, and referred to the Committee on Judiciary:

**Document 17.**

A proposition to amend part ii, division iii, chapter iv, of the Supreme statutes, entitled, "The Ranks of Knighthood."

*Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias,* That part ii, division iii, chapter iv, of the Supreme statutes be and the same is hereby amended by adding thereto, after section 211, the following new section 211a:..

211a. That there be furnished by the Supreme Lodge, at its expense, to every candidate satisfactorily passing such examination upon the rank of knight, a certificate of proficiency, the contents of which shall be prescribed by the Supreme Lodge, and that every officer elected or appointed to office in any subordinate lodge shall be required to be the holder of such a certificate before assuming his office. The examination provided for herein must be had within six months from the date of the conferring of the rank upon which the examination is held.

HUGH H. WILLIAMS, *N. M.*  
MARCELLUS MCCREARY, *N. M.*

(For report of committee on this document, recommending its rejection, see document 160; for final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting the report and rejecting the proposition, see proceedings of the sixth day, afternoon session.)

**PYTHIAN SANATORIUM.**

The following proposition was presented, passed on first and second reading, and referred to the Committee on State of the Order:

**Document 18.**

A proposition to Construct, Establish and Maintain a Pythian National Tuberculosis Sanatorium and to Provide Ways and Means and to Appropriate Money Therefor.

WHEREAS, The order of Knights of Pythias for more than a half century has lived to bless mankind. It has survived and grown and matured because it was built upon an unmovable, indestructible and imperishable foundation—the love of man for man. Realizing that every fraternal institution, if it would do noble things and not dream them all day long, must keep pace with the march of progress and become a creative and constructive force in the world, and believing that the time has come when this order should begin the erection of an institution, national in its scope and reflective of the ideals, the hopes, and the ambitions or service of those who have voluntarily banded themselves together to help the needy, to assist the suffering, to visit the sick, to bury the dead and to care for the widow and the orphan; therefore,

*Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

(a) That the necessary land and buildings for the construction, establishment and maintenance of a Pythian National Tuberculosis Sanatorium shall be acquired at as early a date as practicable, the title to said land and buildings, when so acquired, to be vested solely and absolutely in the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias.

(b) That there is hereby created a board of trustees of the said Pythian National Tuberculosis Sanatorium which shall consist of five past grand chancellors, and the Supreme Chancellor and the Supreme Vice Chancellor as ex-officio members, and each of said trustees shall be, at the time of his appointment and during his period of service on such board, in good standing in his grand and subordinate lodge, and said board shall, when organized, elect one of their members president and one of their members as secretary, and said board of trustees shall meet at the sanatorium quarterly for the transaction of business pertaining to said sanatorium, or oftener as the by-laws of said board may require. At the 1920 convention of the Supreme

Lodge, there shall be elected two members of said board of trustees to serve for two years; two members to serve for four years and one member to serve for six years, all of whose terms shall begin on the first day of September, 1920; and at the expiration of the term of each member, the Supreme Lodge shall elect his successor for the term of six years. All vacancies in the membership of said board, when the Supreme Lodge is not in session, shall be filled by appointment by the Supreme Chancellor, the member so appointed to serve until the next convention of the Supreme Lodge.

(c) The said board of trustees is hereby authorized and empowered and it shall be its duty to locate, establish and maintain a sanatorium for the care and treatment of the members of the order afflicted with tuberculosis and it shall have full charge and complete control of all the business and affairs of said institution and may make rules and regulations governing the same, subject at all times and in all things to the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias. Said board of trustees shall submit semi-annual reports showing the condition of said institution, which said reports shall be filed in the office of the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal and by him placed before the Supreme Lodge when it assembles in convention.

(d) Each member of said board of trustees shall before entering upon the duties of his office, execute a bond, with approved security, in the sum of \$5,000.00 for the faithful performance of his duties, the premium for said bond to be paid by the Supreme Lodge.

(e) As soon as convenient after the organization of said board of trustees, it shall receive gifts in the shape of personal or real property, which from time to time shall come to it from subordinate lodges, grand lodges and other sources, which fund shall be forthwith deposited with the Supreme Master of Exchequer and shall by him be invested in United States Government, state, county or municipal bonds for the purpose of creating a permanent endowment for the maintenance of said institution; provided, however, that only the interest derived from such investment shall be used for the purpose of supporting and maintaining such institution and that no part of the original endowment fund shall be so used without the sanction and authority of the Supreme Lodge.

(f) For the purpose of purchasing, locating and establishing said sanatorium as soon as practicable, there shall be and there hereby is appropriated from the general fund of the Supreme Lodge, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$25,000.00, which amount shall be subject to the order of the said board of trustees and which shall be refunded to the Supreme Lodge as hereinafter provided.

(g) There shall be, and there hereby is, levied a per capita tax of five cents per annum on each member of the order which shall be collected by the respective grand lodges and which shall be payable to the Supreme Lodge at the same time and in the same manner that the general tax is paid, the first payment thereon to be made on or before March 31, 1921, or at such time as the regular semi-annual payment is made to the Supreme Lodge. The proceeds of said tax shall be kept by the Supreme Master of Exchequer as a separate and special fund to be known as "*The Pythian National Tuberculosis Sanatorium Fund*" and shall be expended upon the order of the board of trustees in carrying out the objects of this act; provided, however, that 25 per centum of the fund derived from said per capita tax shall, each year, be paid to the Supreme Lodge until the entire sum of \$25,000.00 shall have been refunded to said body; and provided further, that as soon as a sufficient endowment shall have been created, the interest on which can be relied upon to support and maintain said institution, then and in that event, the per capita tax herein mentioned shall be repealed.

(h) Meetings of the board of trustees shall be held at such time and in

such places as shall be determined upon by a majority of the members of said board, the Supreme Chancellor concurring. The members of the board of trustees shall receive the mileage and per diem, while in the discharge of their duties, received by Supreme Representatives. But no meeting of any kind shall be held and no expense of any kind shall be incurred by such board of trustees or by any member thereof, unless by a majority vote of the members, and said trustees shall attend and make a full and complete report of the conduct of the institution and the disbursements of the funds in connection therewith, at each regular convention of the Supreme Lodge.

(i) In the event that the Supreme Lodge is not in session, and any matter of such importance in connection with the construction, establishment and maintenance of said sanatorium shall arise as, in the opinion of the said board of trustees, should receive the sanction of a majority of the members of the Supreme Lodge, such matter may be submitted by way of referendum to the members of the Supreme Lodge, by and through the Supreme Chancellor.

HUGH H. WILLIAMS, N. M.

MARCELLUS MCCREARY, N. M.

(For report of committee on this document, recommending its rejection, see document 138; for final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting the report and rejecting the proposition see proceedings of the sixth day, morning session.)

### **\$100,000 FOR SANATORIUM.**

The appended preambles and resolution was offered, read, and referred to the Committee on State of the Order:

A resolution to ascertain by referendum if the donors to the War Relief Fund will be willing to have one hundred thousand dollars of said fund set apart as an endowment for the maintenance of a Pythian National Tuberculosis Sanatorium.

#### **Document 19.**

WHEREAS, There is now in the hands of the Supreme Master of Exchequer to the credit of the War Relief Fund the sum of \$318,357.39 of which the sum of \$100,000.00 by reason of the early termination of the Great War will not be required to be expended for the purposes for which it was originally contributed; and

WHEREAS, A great and pressing need is felt for the erection, establishment and maintenance of a Pythian National Tuberculosis Sanatorium, in which tubercular members of the order may receive proper and efficacious treatment and it is deemed eminently fitting that the said sum of \$100,000.00 should be set aside and used as an endowment fund for the purpose of maintaining and supporting a Pythian National Tuberculosis Sanatorium should the donors of said fund consent thereto; therefore,

*Be it Resolved by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias,* That so soon as practicable after the adjournment of the Supreme Lodge, the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal shall communicate with the several subordinate lodges whose members contributed to the War Relief Fund and obtain, if possible, from the donors of said fund their consent and permission for the Supreme Lodge to use the said sum of \$100,000.00 as an endowment fund for the maintenance of a Pythian National Tuberculosis Sanatorium.

(2) The Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal shall transmit to the members of the Supreme Lodge the result of his communications to the subordinate lodges and shall submit his report upon the same to the 1922 convention of the Supreme Lodge.

HUGH H. WILLIAMS, N. M.

MARCELLUS MCCREARY, N. M.

(For report of committee on this document, recommending its rejection, see document 139; for final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting report and rejecting the resolution, see proceedings of the sixth day, morning session.)



**MILEAGE—10 CENTS.**

The following proposition was presented, passed on first and second reading, and referred to the Committee on Finance:

**Document 20.**

A proposition to amend part i, division i, chapter x, section 51, of the Supreme statutes, entitled "Mileage and Per Diem."

*Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias,* That part i, division i, chapter x, section 51, of the Supreme statutes be and the same is hereby amended:

By striking out of subdivision "b" of said section the words "six and a quarter cents" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "ten cents."

ALVA M. LUMPKIN, *S. C.*  
WILLIAM C. CRIST, *N. C.*  
MERRILL L. WELCKER, *Mass.*  
WILLIAM I. ALLEN, *Neb.*  
WILLIAM A. MACDONALD, *Vt.*

(For report of committee on this document, recommending its rejection, see document 91, also action taken on consideration of the report, amending the proposition to read "eight and a quarter cents;" for final action of the Supreme Lodge, further amending the proposition, and passing same as amended on third reading, see proceedings of the fifth day, morning session.)

**IDENTIFICATION CARD.**

The following proposition was presented, passed on first and second reading, and referred to the Committee on State of the Order:

**Document 21.**

A proposition providing for issuance of Identification Cards to wife, mother, daughter or sister of a member.

*Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Section 1. That upon the written application of any member in good standing a visiting or identification card shall be issued to the wife, mother, sister or daughter, or to the widow of a deceased member so long as she shall remain his widow. Said card shall state the name and residence of the party to whom it is issued and the relationship of the holder of the same to the member applying for it and the date when it expires. Said card shall not be issued for a longer period of time than that for which the dues of the member requesting it are paid, and shall be signed by the lady to whom it is issued before it becomes valid.

Sec. 2. Said cards shall be issued by the keepers of records and seal of subordinate lodges without charge and the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal shall furnish to grand lodges blank cards suitably printed, which shall be uniform in character and which shall be consecutively numbered for each lodge procuring same and of the same color as the ordinary receipt cards. They shall bear the signature of the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal and be attested by the keeper of records and seal of the subordinate lodge of issue, who shall be required to keep a record of the same by stub or otherwise.

HENRY E. ELLIS, *Tex.*  
RAYMOND H. BUCK, *Tex.*  
CHAS. F. WEILAND, *Tex.*  
HENRY P. BROWN, *Tex.*  
THOMAS CONNALLY, *Tex.*

(For report of committee on this document, recommending its rejection, see document 116; for final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting report and rejecting the proposition, see proceedings of the fifth day, morning session.)

### DELINQUENT AND INACTIVE MEMBERS.

The following proposition was presented, passed on first and second reading, and referred to the Committee on Judiciary:

#### Document 22.

A proposition to amend section 229a, chapter vi of the Supreme statutes.

*Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias*, That section 229a, chapter vi of the Supreme statutes be amended to read as follows:

229a. When a member of a subordinate lodge shall be in arrears for dues, fines and assessments in an amount equal to one year's dues, the master of finance of his lodge shall notify him by registered mail to his last known address that unless such amount is paid within thirty days from the receipt of the notice, his name will be placed upon the list of delinquent members of the lodge. At the expiration of the thirty days, if the amount of said dues, fines and assessments is unpaid, the name of and the amount due by the member shall be read in open lodge and the chancellor commander shall thereupon order the name of the member to be placed upon the list of delinquent members of the lodge. A member whose name is on the delinquent list shall be entitled to all the privileges of membership except those of holding office and receiving financial benefits.

229b. The form of notice to be sent to the member in arrears shall be as follows:

Dear Brother.....  
 It is my duty to notify you that you are indebted to.....  
 Lodge No.....Knights of Pythias in the sum of \$..... and that unless said amount or a portion thereof is paid within thirty days from the receipt of this notice, your name and the amount due by you will be read in open lodge, and you will then be listed as a delinquent member. Probably pressure of business affairs has caused you to neglect this important matter and now having your attention directed to it, I am sure you will give it your immediate attention. Be sure to attend the next convention of your lodge on the..... day of..... Your brothers will extend you a hearty welcome.  
 Fraternally yours,  
 .....  
 Master of Finance.

229c. When a member's name shall have remained upon the list of delinquent members for a period of eleven months, the master of finance of the lodge shall send a letter by registered mail to the delinquent member at his last known address, notifying him of the amount of his indebtedness to the lodge, including that for the current year, and, that if the same be not paid within thirty days from the receipt of the notice, his name and the amount of his indebtedness will be read in open lodge, and his name placed upon the list of inactive members of the lodge. At the expiration of the thirty days, if the amount of said dues, fines and assessments is unpaid, the name of and the amount due by the member shall be read in open lodge, and the chancellor commander shall thereupon order the name of the member to be placed upon the list of inactive members of the lodge.

A member whose name is on the inactive list of his lodge shall be entitled to all the privileges of membership except those of holding office, voting and receiving financial benefits.

229d. The form of notice to be sent by the master of finance shall be as follows:

Dear Brother.....  
 It is my duty to notify you that you are indebted to.....Lodge No. .... Knights of Pythias in the sum of \$....., and unless the same is paid within thirty days from the receipt of this notice, your name and the amount of your indebtedness will be read in open lodge, after which your name will be transferred from the list of delinquent members to the list of inactive members of the lodge. Surely, my brother, you have not given this subject the consideration that its importance deserves or you could not be unmindful of the solemn obligation that you took upon yourself when you were made a Knight of Pythias

wherein you swore that you would pay your full indebtedness to the lodge. If your failure to pay has not been willful and has been caused by financial inability, come to the next convention of your lodge, make that fact known to your brothers and see how quick they will be to exhibit their friendship for you by cancelling your indebtedness to the lodge. Do not lay this notice aside but at once send a check for your indebtedness. You may have forgotten your brothers but they have not forgotten you and they will be happy to see you at the next convention of the lodge which will be held on the.....day of.....

Fraternally yours,

.....  
Master of Finance.

229e. When a member's name shall have remained upon the list of inactive members for a period of eleven months, the master of finance of the lodge shall send a letter by registered mail to the inactive member at his last known address, notifying him of the amount of his indebtedness to the lodge, including that for the current year, and, that if the same be not paid within thirty days from the receipt of the notice, the charge of conduct unbecoming a Pythian Knight will be filed against him, and, after due trial thereon, if found guilty, he will be expelled from the order.

229f. The form of notice to be sent by the master of finance shall be as follows:

Dear Brother.....

It becomes my duty to notify you for the last time that you are indebted to.....  
Lodge No..... Knights of Pythias in the sum of \$..... In your application for membership in the order, you promised to abide by its laws, rules and regulations. When you took upon yourself the vows of knighthood, you solemnly promised in the presence of God and your brothers, among other things, that you would pay your dues to the lodge. That part of your obligation is as binding as any other part. Surely you are unwilling to have your friends and brothers look upon you as a promise breaker and oath violator. The amount of your arrearages to the lodge constitutes a debt for which the lodge can sue you in a court of law. Your fellow members are so averse to severing the fraternal ties that bind you to them that they have determined to give you one more opportunity to do your duty as a man and Pythian. At the regular convention of the lodge to be held on the.....day of..... your name and the amount of your indebtedness to the lodge will be read, and unless such indebtedness is then and there paid, charges will be filed against you upon which you will be tried after due notice, and you will be ignominiously expelled from the lodge and the order. You are again admonished that if your default is caused by financial distress and you will show your confidence in your brothers by coming to the convention of the lodge and making that fact known you will find that they will be more willing to afford you relief than you are to ask it. If, however, you are determined to remain untrue to your Pythian obligation the law will be enforced and you will be declared to be a person who is not worthy to bear the name of Pythian Knight.

Fraternally yours,

.....  
Master of Finance.

229g. When the name of a member shall have remained on the list of inactive members of the lodge for a period of twelve months, at the first regular convention of the lodge or so soon thereafter as practicable, the master of finance shall read in open lodge the name and amount of indebtedness of such member together with the last notice sent to the member as provided in section 229f, and, unless such indebtedness is then and there paid, or the same be remitted or cancelled by a vote of two-thirds of the members present, the chancellor commander shall cause to be prepared and filed against the inactive member charges in writing, a copy of which shall be served upon the member either in person or by registered mail at least ten days before trial. The trial shall be conducted as provided in chapter iv, section 284 of the Supreme statutes with the exception that in the event that the charges are sustained by a vote of two-thirds of the members present, the offending member shall be declared expelled from the lodge and the order.

229h. A subordinate lodge shall have the right to bring suit in civil courts for all indebtedness due it by an expelled member, and such suit may be brought in the name of the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias, to be used and for the benefit of said subordinate lodge.

229i. The chancellor commander of every subordinate lodge shall, immediately after his installation, appoint three active members of the lodge

to serve during his term of office, who shall constitute the committee on delinquent members, whose duty it shall be to personally interview each member whose name is on the list of delinquent members of the lodge and endeavor to persuade such member to pay his indebtedness to the lodge. At the same time and in like manner, the chancellor commander shall appoint three active members of the lodge to serve during his term of office, who shall constitute the committee on inactive members, whose duty it shall be to personally interview each member whose name is on the list of inactive members of the lodge, and endeavor to persuade him to pay his indebtedness to the lodge. The committees so appointed shall make their reports at each regular convention of the lodge.

229j. No subordinate lodge shall be chargeable with or required to pay either to the grand lodge or to the Supreme Lodge the per capita tax upon a member of the lodge whose name is on the list of inactive members.

229k. All moneys recovered or received from delinquent, inactive or expelled members by reason of arrearages shall be turned into the exchequer of the lodge and become the property of the lodge.

GEO. C. CABELL, Va.  
CHAS. D. FOX, Va.

(For report of committee on this document, recommending its adoption with certain changes, see document 176; for substitute proposition by the committee, see document 177, passed on first and second reading; for final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting report and passing substitute proposition on third reading, see proceedings of the sixth day, afternoon session.)

### FLAG CEREMONY.

The following proposition was presented, passed on first and second reading, and referred to the Committee on Judiciary:

#### Document 23.

A proposition to amend part ii, division iii, chapter i, section 180, paragraph "a," of the Supreme statutes, entitled "Warrants and Charters."

*Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias, That part ii, division iii, chapter i, section 180, of the Supreme statutes be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows:*

(a) At the opening of a subordinate lodge, immediately after the altar has been arranged, the chancellor commander shall instruct the master at arms as follows: "Master at arms, you will retire to the ante-room and bring in the flag of our country."

The master at arms then retires to the ante-room where he will procure the flag, previously prepared on a staff, bringing it unfurled into the castle hall. The master at arms will advance to the center of the castle hall in front of the altar, facing the chancellor commander.

The chancellor commander will then command "Attention! join me in saluting the Flag of our country." All members will then salute the Flag in unison with the chancellor commander (using the right hand military salute), at the same time exclaiming; "*Forever may it wave.*"

The master at arms will then place the Flag at the right of the station of the chancellor commander, in a socket prepared for it, where it will remain throughout the session.

At the closing of the lodge, immediately before the collection of the rituals and jewels, the chancellor commander shall say, "Master at arms, return the Flag of our Country to its resting place." The master at arms with the Flag will assume the same position in front of the altar as in the opening ceremonies and the salute to the Flag will be given in the same



manner and form as in the opening ceremonies. The salute having been given, the master at arms will then return the Flag to the property room.

1. The Flag ceremony as incorporated into the official opening and closing ceremonies, is an outward and visible sign of loyalty and devotion to our country and will be conducted with deference and dignity.

2. If possible the national anthem will be played when the master at arms enters or retires with the Flag.

3. The chancellor commander, before ordering the master at arms to bring in or return the Flag, may appoint two members to act as a color guard to escort the Flag to and from the castle-hall. This guard shall walk one on each side of the master at arms, armed with a drawn sword at carry. At the command "Attention" by the chancellor commander, the color guard will bring their swords to present, as for non-commissioned officers, (raise and carry the sword to the front, base of the hilt as high as the chin and 6 inches in front of the neck, edge to the left, point 6 inches farther to the front than the hilt, thumb extended on left of the grip, all fingers grasping the grip). As soon as the salute has been given by the members, the guard will bring their swords to carry.

4. The Flag ceremony will be used at all open or public sessions held by a subordinate lodge.

5. The Flag ceremony at the closing of a lodge may be omitted at the pleasure of the chancellor commander.

VINCENT M. KING, *Conn.*

(For report of committee on this document, recommending a substitute proposition, see document 191; for final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting report and passing substitute proposition on third reading, see proceedings of the sixth day, evening session.)

### ABOLITION OF SUSPENSION CERTIFICATE.

The following proposition was presented, passed on first and second reading, and referred to the Committee on Judiciary:

#### Document 24.

A proposition to amend part ii, division iii, chapter vi, Supreme statutes, entitled, "Dues, Fines and Assessments."

*Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias, That chapter vi, part ii, division iii, Supreme statutes, be and the same hereby is amended as follows:*

1. That section 230 be amended to read as follows:

230. When a member of a subordinate lodge has been suspended therefrom and from the order for non-payment of dues, it shall be the duty of the chancellor commander, attested by the keeper of records and seal, forthwith to notify such member of the fact of his suspension, under seal of the lodge, with information as to how he may be reinstated and reaffiliate with the order. Said notice of suspension shall be furnished by the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal, and shall be uniform throughout the order.

2. That section 230a and section 232 be and the same hereby are repealed.

FRED E. WHEATON, *S. K. R. S.*

(For reports of committee on this document, recommending its rejection on account of other legislation pending, see documents 183, 193; for final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting report and rejecting this particular proposition, see proceedings of the sixth day, evening session.)

### ABOLITION OF CARDS.

The following proposition was presented, passed on first and second reading, and referred to the Committee on Judiciary:

#### Document 25.

A proposition to amend part ii, division iii, Supreme statutes:

*Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias*, That part ii, division iii, Supreme statutes, be and the same hereby is amended in the following particulars:

1. That chapter x, entitled "Transfer Card," and the following sections of said chapter, viz: sections 247, 248, 250, 251, 252 and 253, be and the same hereby are repealed.

2. That chapter xi, entitled "Withdrawal Card," and the following sections of said chapter, viz: sections 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 259, 260, 261 and 262, be and the same hereby are repealed.

3. That chapter xii, entitled "Grand Lodge Card and Supreme Lodge Card," and the following sections of said chapter, viz: sections 263, 264, 265, 266, 267, 268 and 269, be and the same hereby are repealed.

FRED E. WHEATON, S. K. R. S.

(For report of committee on this document, recommending its adoption, see document 183; for final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting the report and passing the proposition on third reading, see proceedings of the sixth day, evening session.)

### MEMBERSHIP CARD.

The following proposition was presented, passed on first and second reading, and referred to the Committee on Judiciary:

#### Document 26.

A proposition to amend chapter x, part ii, division iii, of the Supreme statutes:

*Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias*, That chapter x, part ii, division iii, Supreme statutes, be and the same hereby is amended so as to read as follows:

#### CHAPTER X.

##### MEMBERSHIP CARD.

247. It hereby is made the duty of each subordinate lodge to prepare on behalf of each member a membership card containing typewritten information showing the date and manner in which membership was attained in the lodge, said card to show the membership record of the member, the dates when the ranks of knighthood were conferred, with information and dates relative to his suspension, reinstatement, or transfer to the lodge, also the personal record of the member showing the place and date of birth, occupation, business and residence address, and the country of which he is a citizen. Said membership card shall be furnished by the Supreme Lodge and shall be uniform throughout the order. Each subordinate lodge shall carefully preserve such membership cards in an envelope or jacket, alphabetically arranged, in an appropriate filing case or other depository, and shall also maintain and preserve a complete book record of each member containing the same membership and personal data as herein stated.

248. Whenever the ranks of knighthood shall have been conferred upon an applicant, his membership card shall immediately be filled out as provided in the preceding section and filed with other membership cards.

249. It is the declared purpose of this section and chapter that there shall be provided and carefully maintained at all times, a correct membership card for each member of the lodge and of the order, to the end that there shall be a permanent certificate and record of membership, by a membership card, readily available for reference and use as occasion may require, and to facilitate the completeness of the record of membership, the transfer of membership, and other changes in membership status, as same may occur.

250. The membership card for each member of the order shall at all times remain in the custody and keeping of the subordinate lodge in which the member holds membership, save and except that upon his voluntary retirement or withdrawal from the order, he shall be entitled to receive his membership card, properly certified as to his withdrawal.

251. Whenever a member of the order desires to transfer his membership to another lodge, he shall make application to said lodge, which application shall be investigated by the lodge to which he applies, and if the applicant be elected to membership, the keeper of records and seal shall immediately communicate with the lodge in which the applicant holds membership, and request that the applicant's membership card be forwarded. The lodge receiving such request shall, if the applicant is not under charges, immediately forward the membership card by registered mail to the keeper of records and seal making the request, together with a statement of the applicant's account with the lodge as of the date when the request for membership card was made. Any indebtedness of the applicant to the lodge issuing the membership card shall be collected by the requesting lodge and immediately remitted to the lodge from which the applicant transfers. The applicant's membership in the lodge issuing the card shall terminate on the date when the card was requested and shall commence on the same date in the lodge making the request. There shall be no fee required for the issuance of a membership card.

252. Any member in good standing in a subordinate lodge, who may desire to withdraw from membership in the lodge and in the order may communicate in writing over his own signature and so advise the lodge of which he is a member. His communication shall be accompanied by the full amount of his arrearages, if any, to the lodge, as of the date of his communication, and his request shall be read in open lodge. If he is not under charges, the chancellor commander shall order the request granted, and immediately instruct the keeper of records and seal to personally deliver to the applicant his membership card, or forward same by registered mail, as the case may be. A member who shall have thus permanently withdrawn from the order shall be considered an ex-member, and shall have no claim whatsoever upon the lodge or the order for any Pythian right or privilege, but he may at any time apply for membership in any lodge, and when so doing his membership card shall accompany his application. Upon his election to membership, his membership card shall contain an entry of such election and immediately be filed with the membership cards of the lodge to which he applies, and a record of his election made upon the books of the lodge. If his application be rejected, his membership card shall be returned to him. The fee for membership by deposit of a membership card shall be as provided in the by-laws of the lodge to which he applies, such fee to accompany the application. Should the holder of a membership card, having withdrawn from the order as herein provided, commit an offense against the order while in possession of such card, he may be proceeded against as though the card had not been issued, and upon conviction of the offense, the card shall be annulled and revoked, and the holder so notified. Should a membership card, issued in accordance with the provisions of this statute, be lost, destroyed, mutilated or defaced, the lodge of issue, upon request, shall prepare and deliver a duplicate card to such member, provided that a mutilated or defaced card shall be returned to the lodge by the applicant when he makes request for a duplicate card.

253. Whenever a member shall have been suspended for non-payment of arrearages, this fact shall be entered of record on the books of the lodge and also upon his membership card. The card shall be retained permanently by the lodge, and may be revived by his reinstatement, either for renewing and continuing active membership in the lodge, or for the purpose of transfer to another lodge, or for voluntary withdrawal from the order, as the case may be. A suspended member desiring to be restored to active membership may apply to the lodge by which he was suspended, accompanying his application by the full amount of his arrearages to the lodge at the time of his suspension, or such other amount as shall be required by the by-laws of the lodge at time he makes application. He may apply for reinstatement to any lodge, should it be his desire if reinstated to transfer to said lodge, whereupon the lodge to which he applies shall take the same procedure in securing his reinstatement and transfer as is defined in section 251 of this chapter. It is the declared intent and purpose of this section that no suspended member of the order may be reinstated except by action of the lodge by which he was suspended.

254. Upon the death of a member of any lodge it shall be the duty of the keeper of records and seal to enter that fact of record on the books of the lodge and also upon the membership card of said deceased member. The lodge shall permanently file such card in the archives of deceased members.

255. Whenever two or more subordinate lodges shall consolidate, the membership cards of the members of the consolidating lodges shall revert to and become the property of the consolidated lodge, which lodge shall cause the membership card of each member of the lodge, or lodges, consolidating, to bear evidence of the acquirement of such membership by consolidation, by proper entry on the filing form of the membership card and also upon the books of the lodge.

256. Whenever a lodge becomes defunct, the membership cards of the members of such lodge immediately revert to and become the property of the grand lodge (or the Supreme Lodge, as the case may be), and shall be delivered to the grand lodge (or Supreme Lodge), together with the books and other property belonging to the defunct lodge. In grand domains where provision is made for "state" or "home" lodges, the membership cards of the defunct lodge shall be filed with the enrolled members of said "state" or "home" lodge, as the statutes of the grand lodge may provide. If no such provision is required by the grand lodge, then the membership cards of the defunct lodge shall be carefully preserved by the grand lodge for subsequent use as occasion may require, such as the restoration of the charter of the defunct lodge, or for transfer of membership to some other subordinate lodge. A member of a defunct lodge who shall desire to renew active membership in the order, by affiliation with another lodge, may apply to any subordinate lodge for membership therein, and said lodge shall immediately communicate with the grand lodge of the domain wherein his defunct lodge was located, and procure his membership card. His application shall be accompanied by such amount as the grand lodge may require in order to place him in good standing where he would be entitled to active reaffiliation; provided, that there shall be no fee for the issuance of the card.

257. The provisions of this chapter declaring the use of the "membership card" contemplates the enrollment of all members of the order by membership cards, as per the actual membership of each subordinate lodge at the time this statute takes effect.

258. On the back of each membership card there shall be provided filing forms sufficient in number to show the owner's membership record in at least five subordinate lodges. The membership card cannot certify to the attainment of the honors of the order. Whenever any member of the order shall transfer his membership to a domain other than the one wherein he



attained the honors, before he can be enrolled as of such honor in the domain to which he transfers, he must procure through the grand lodge, or the Supreme Lodge, as the case may be, a certificate of honor certifying to such attainment.

259. A former member of the order in possession of a withdrawal card, suspension certificate, grand lodge card, or Supreme Lodge card, may regain active membership by making application therefor to any lodge, accompanying his application with such card or certificate (and such fee as the by-laws of the lodge may require) and upon election to membership the keeper of records and seal will at once make out and file his membership card.

260. All statutes, or parts of statutes, in anywise conflicting with the provisions of this chapter are hereby repealed. This chapter and the sections thereof, viz: 247 to 260, both inclusive, shall take effect January 1, 1921.

FRED E. WHEATON, S. K. R. S.

(For report of the committee on this document, recommending the elimination of section 253 and the adoption of the proposition as amended, see document 183; for final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting report, amending the proposition, and passing same on third reading, see proceedings of the sixth day, evening session.)

### 50-YEAR VETERAN JEWEL.

The following proposition was presented, passed on first and second reading, and referred to the Committee on Good of the Order:

#### Document 27.

A proposition to amend part ii, division vi, chapter i, section 387, of the Supreme statutes, entitled, "Jewels."

*Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias,* That part ii, division vi, chapter i, section 387, of the Supreme statutes be and the same is hereby amended, by adding thereto a new paragraph to be known as paragraph "d," to read as follows:

(d) Any person who has for fifty years been continuously a member in good standing of one or more subordinate lodges shall be entitled to a Fifty-Year Veteran Jewel, which jewel shall be of the following design: Top bar similar to the regulation bar on the standard veteran jewel, with raised figures on each side of the Bible to show the year of initiation of the wearer and the year when he completed fifty years' membership; purple ribbon three-quarters inch in width and same length, narrowed at the bottom, with a half-globe suspended by two chains from top bar to center of ribbon; link in lower end of ribbon, with veteran jewel as a pendant, the cross plate on the jewel to have the figures "50" in raised gold in the center, and the letters "K" and "P" to show at ends of the plate; the lower portion of the jewel shall carry the official design of the Pythian triangle. The jewel shall be made of 14-karat gold throughout, engraved on the back, furnished with a case, and each jewel shall be numbered in the order in which it is furnished. Application for a Fifty-Year Veteran Jewel shall be made to the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal, who shall keep a record of each jewel issued, the name of the party to whom issued, the date of issue, and shall publish list of said names in each succeeding official record of the book of proceedings of the Supreme Lodge.

FRED E. WHEATON, S. K. R. S.

(For report of committee on this document, proposing a substitute proposition, see document 219; for final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting report and passing substitute proposition on third reading, see proceedings of the seventh day.)

### RAILROAD CERTIFICATES.

The Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal announced the arrangements which had been made with the Western and other passenger associations and explained the necessity of having 250 tickets validated by the agencies of the Supreme Lodge and railroads in order to secure the reduced rate on return tickets.

Supreme Representative William C. Crist, of North Carolina, was requested to assist the Supreme Master of Exchequer in the collection and validation of railroad certificates.

### FRATERNAL GREETINGS.

The Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal submitted and read the appended telegrams expressing fraternal greetings to the convention:

BIRMINGHAM, ALA., August 10, 1920.

FRED E. WHEATON, S. K. R. S., Minneapolis:

My heartfelt congratulations to Supreme Chancellor Davis on his marvelous achievements during the past two years. May the old ship continue in mid-stream with the tri-colored banner floating higher each year. My best wishes for a harmonious and constructive convention. Deal kindly with our handsome Perdue. Love to all.

HERMAN M. BECK, P. S. R.

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HALIFAX, N. S., August 9, 1920.

*Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias*, Minneapolis:

Brother Pythians in Halifax, gateway of Canada, extend to the convention assembled their warmest fraternal greetings. May the ties of friendship bind us together closer still, and may your deliberations result in greater prosperity for the order we all love.

FRANK A. MARR, C. C. No. 12, K. P.

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SACRAMENTO, CAL., August 10, 1920.

CHARLES S. DAVIS, S. C., Minneapolis, Minn.:

Confidence Lodge No. 78, Knights of Pythias, sends fraternal greetings and best wishes for a successful convention.

W. H. GREENLAW, K. R. S.

### CLERICAL ASSISTANTS.

The Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal announced the following appointments of assistants for this convention:

*Official Reporter*—Past Supreme Representative James Robertson, of Minnesota.

*Document Clerk*—Past Supreme Representative Will L. Scism, of Minnesota.

### STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Supreme Chancellor announced that the standing committees for this convention were as shown in the Supreme Lodge

Manual of 1920, subject to such changes and assignments as may be necessary as regards Supreme Representatives whose credentials were received subsequent to the publication of the manual. The standing committees for this convention, therefore, were constituted as hereunder:

### Judiciary.

Benjamin F. Bledsoe, California, *Chairman*.

|                                    |                                   |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Frank M. Beckford, New Hampshire   | H. Oscar Kline, Pennsylvania      |
| John Ballantyne, Massachusetts     | William Grossman, New York        |
| Edgar M. Harber, Missouri          | Arthur E. Kerns, Ohio             |
| Harry A. Schoberth, Kentucky       | Charles F. P. Conybeare, Alberta  |
| Charles N. Herreid, South Dakota   | DeForrest Ward, Minnesota         |
| Frank E. Duncan, Oklahoma          | Elijah C. Hart, California        |
| William F. Broening, Maryland      | Robert M. Dye, Washington         |
| Herbert E. Gyles, South Carolina   | Benjamin I. Salinger, Iowa        |
| Thomas T. Connally, Texas          | Charles D. Fox, Virginia          |
| George C. Cabell, Virginia         | Thomas Williamson, Illinois       |
| Graham Perdue, Alabama             | Alva M. Lumpkin, South Carolina   |
| Charles A. Ballreich, Colorado     | Frank S. Grant, Oregon            |
| John P. Arbenz, West Virginia      | Merrill L. Welcker, Massachusetts |
| William K. Whitfield, Illinois     | William I. Allen, Nebraska        |
| Charles F. Remy, Indiana           | Reno S. Harp, Maryland            |
| Raymond H. Buck, Texas             | Oleonder H. Pollard, Kentucky     |
| Victor Hawkins, Michigan           | Hilton S. Hampton, Florida        |
| Eldon S. H. Winn, British Columbia | Frank J. Heller, Indiana          |
| Scott M. Loftin, Florida           | Clarence MacGregor, New York      |
| Joseph J. Crites, Missouri         | Tracy R. Bangs, P. S. C.          |

### Ways and Means.

William K. Whitfield, Illinois, *Chairman*.

|                                  |                               |
|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| James W. Hunter, Iowa            | Henry E. Ellis, Texas         |
| Charles A. Darland, Arkansas     | Sam R. Nuzum, West Virginia   |
| Benjamin A. Taylor, Alabama      | John B. Vaughn, Illinois      |
| George H. Otyvell, Delaware      | Charles A. Gates, Connecticut |
| Frank Bowers, Indiana            | Horace P. Merrill, Arizona    |
| Albert E. Sharpe, Michigan       | Edgar M. Harber, Missouri     |
| James H. Beans, West Virginia    | Andrew G. Patterson, Alabama  |
| Henry J. Eltz, Jr., Rhode Island | Thomas Towers, Ontario        |
| Charles A. Frost, New Hampshire  | Edward Dunn, P. S. C.         |

### Finance.

Richard S. Witte, Wisconsin, *Chairman*.

|                               |                               |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Charles J. Deckman, Ohio      | John B. Vaughn, Illinois      |
| Benjamin D. Brantley, Georgia | James A. Steese, Pennsylvania |

### State of the Order.

William Grossman, New York, *Chairman*.

|                                  |                                |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| John P. Arbenz, West Virginia    | Leslie E. Crouch, Oregon       |
| Francis F. Schreiber, Colorado   | William A. MacDonald, Vermont. |
| Harlan P. Knight, Massachusetts  | Robert J. West, Michigan       |
| Charles A. Darland, Arkansas     | Thomas Williamson, Illinois    |
| William C. Crist, North Carolina | Henry E. Ellis, Texas          |

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|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Frank B. Hiller, Missouri        | W. Frank Stout, West Virginia      |
| Noble Binns, British Columbia    | William Schuchardt, Ohio           |
| William D. Quick, New Jersey     | William A. Stewart, Mar. Provinces |
| Charles M. Milam, Georgia        | Richard I. Warner, Wisconsin       |
| Edward C. Anderson, North Dakota | Henry P. Brown, P. S. C.           |

### Insurance.

Edward C. Plummer, Maine, *Chairman.*

|                                  |                                    |
|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Richard I. Warner, Wisconsin     | Joseph N. McCoy, Iowa              |
| Charles F. Weiland, Texas        | DeForrest Ward, Minnesota          |
| Harry A. Schoberth, Kentucky     | Benjamin H. Stein, Mississippi     |
| James H. Beans, West Virginia    | William Grossman, New York         |
| James W. Hutchison, Pennsylvania | Frank A. Priest, Indiana           |
| Benjamin Mendelson, Louisiana    | Robert M. Dye, Washington          |
| Henry W. Stratton, Tennessee     | D. Sidney Woodworth, Massachusetts |
| John J. Doyne, Arkansas          | Thomas J. Carling, P. S. C.        |
| Francis F. Schreiber, Colorado   |                                    |

### Military Department.

John H. Maxwell, Maine, *Chairman.*

|                                  |                                  |
|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Edward S. O'Connor, New York     | Robert L. Slade, Kentucky        |
| John H. Conger, New Jersey       | Samuel N. Randolph, Utah         |
| Charles A. Darland, Arkansas     | John Ballantyne, Massachusetts   |
| Jacob Woehrl, Ohio               | Vincent M. King, Connecticut     |
| Frank M. Beckford, New Hampshire | Benjamin Moore, Pennsylvania     |
| William W. Willson, No. Carolina | Louis J. Bristow, South Carolina |
| Edward C. Anderson, North Dakota | William D. Quick, New Jersey     |
| Benjamin Mendelson, Louisiana    | Joseph C. Brown, California      |
| John Forbes, Washington          | Philip T. Colgrove, P. S. C.     |

### Grievances.

Gus C. Kendall, Mississippi, *Chairman.*

|                                   |                                 |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| William G. Edens, Illinois        | Joseph J. Crites, Missouri      |
| Ernest C. Baxter, Montana         | James A. Muir, Michigan         |
| Joseph Schroeder, Wisconsin       | John B. Boese, Alberta          |
| Joseph N. McCoy, Iowa             | Clement F. Kimball, Iowa        |
| Will L. Erwin, Louisiana          | James A. Wharton, Minnesota     |
| Theodore V. Simpson, Delaware     | Raymond H. Buck, Texas          |
| Albert Kahlert, Dist. of Columbia | Rynier V. Brokaw, Kansas        |
| Charles E. Harris, Idaho          | Harry A. Thompson, Pennsylvania |

### Credentials.

J. Edward Richardson, Maryland, *Chairman*

|                                   |                                 |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Albert F. Williams, Kansas        | Benjamin H. Stein, Mississippi  |
| Clarence MacGregor, New York      | Robert G. Loucks, California    |
| Nathaniel E. Wilson, Nevada       | Harry A. Thompson, Pennsylvania |
| William D. Quick, New Jersey      | Wilson M. Cairns, Quebec        |
| George E. Ritchie, Mar. Provinces | Harold C. Brunt, Oklahoma       |

### Written Work.

Harold C. Brunt, Oklahoma, *Chairman.*

|                               |                                |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Thomas T. Connally, Texas     | Leroy H. Kelsey, Missouri      |
| James G. Wilson, Ontario      | A. Sterling Morrison, Quebec   |
| William B. Stewart, Tennessee | Marcellus McCreary, New Mexico |



Arthur L. Putnam, Wyoming  
 Robert Weir, Vermont  
 Albert Kahlert, Dist. of Columbia  
 Jacob Woehrle, Ohio

Charles D. Fox, Virginia  
 Theodore V. Simpson, Delaware  
 Benjamin Moore, Pennsylvania  
 Henry P. Brown, P. S. C.

### Unwritten Work.

Merrill L. Welcker, Massachusetts, *Chairman*.

Albert A. Wormwood, Ohio  
 Leroy H. Kelsey, Missouri  
 William K. Whitfield, Illinois  
 Andrew G. Patterson, Alabama  
 Henry A. Heinrichs, New Jersey  
 James A. Muir, Michigan  
 Frank B. Hiller, Missouri  
 Louis J. Bristow, South Carolina

George E. Ritchie, Mar. Provinces  
 Joseph C. Brown, California  
 William A. MacDonald, Vermont  
 Hugh H. Williams, New Mexico  
 Robert L. Slade, Kentucky  
 Samuel Dickinson, Wyoming  
 William Schuchardt, Ohio

### Warrants and Charters.

W. Frank Stout, West Virginia, *Chairman*.

Hugh H. Williams, New Mexico  
 John E. Newbury, Arizona  
 Harlan P. Knight, Massachusetts

Leslie E. Crouch, Oregon  
 William I. Allen, Nebraska  
 Miller S. Bell, Georgia

### Grand Domains.

James H. Gwinn, Oregon, *Chairman*.

Marcellus McCreary, New Mexico  
 Rynier V. Brokaw, Kansas  
 Will A. Gilman, Maine  
 Maxwell B. McMillen, Rhode Island

Charles M. Milam, Georgia  
 William Middleton, Manitoba  
 A. Sterling Morrison, Quebec  
 Arthur L. Putnam, Wyoming

### Review.

Raymond H. Buck, Texas, *Chairman*.

Thomas T. Connally, Texas  
 Scott M. Loftin, Florida  
 Oleonder H. Pollard, Kentucky  
 John M. Lewis, Indiana  
 J. Carlyle Southwick, So. Dakota  
 Charles F. Remy, Indiana

Frank S. Grant, Oregon  
 John B. Dickman, Dist of Columbia  
 Albert E. Sharpe, Michigan  
 Charles F. Weiland, Texas  
 Clarence MacGregor, New York  
 John J. Reeve, Illinois

### Mileage and Per Diem.

Henry A. Heinrichs, New Jersey, *Chairman*.

Reno S. Harp, Maryland  
 George C. Cabell, Virginia  
 Fred W. Agatz, Washington

James A. Steese, Pennsylvania  
 Thomas D. Meares, S. M. E.

### Subdivision and Reference.

Joseph J. Crites, Missouri, *Chairman*.

Joseph Schroeder, Wisconsin  
 John J. Reeve, Illinois

John J. Doyne, Arkansas  
 Francis F. Schreiber, Colorado

**Rules.**

H. Oscar Kline, Pennsylvania, *Chairman.*

|                                  |                                  |
|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Arthur E. Kerns, Ohio            | James A. Wharton, Minnesota      |
| James W. Hutchison, Pennsylvania | Charles N. Herreid, South Dakota |
| Clement F. Kimball, Iowa         | Edward S. O'Connor, New York     |
| Thomas R. Jones, Idaho           | Brig S. Young, P. S. C.          |

**Necrology.**

Harry A. Schoberth, Kentucky, *Chairman.*

|                               |                            |
|-------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Fred S. Attwood, S. P.        | James H. Gwinn, Oregon     |
| William B. Stewart, Tennessee | John Stevenson, New York   |
| James A. Dinnie, North Dakota | George M. Hanson, P. S. C. |
| William F. Broening, Maryland | Brig S. Young, P. S. C.    |

**Pythian Education.**

Charles S. Davis, S. C., *Chairman.*

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| William Ladew, S. V. C. | John J. Brown, P. S. C. |
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**Good of the Order.**

Victor Hawkins, Michigan, *Chairman.*

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|--------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Frank E. Duncan, Oklahoma      | Albert A. Wormwood, Ohio           |
| William K. Whitfield, Illinois | Miller S. Bell, Georgia            |
| John H. Conger, New Jersey     | Harry E. Siman, Nebraska           |
| Charles A. Ballreich, Colorado | J. Carlyle Southwick, South Dakota |
| Gus C. Kendall, Mississippi    | Robert G. Loucks, California       |
| James A. Dinnie, North Dakota  | Hilton S. Hampton, Florida         |
| John H. Vogel, Montana         | Clark J. Guild, Nevada             |
| Nathaniel E. Wilson, Nevada    | Alexander L. Macintyre, Manitoba   |
| Louis N. Meid, Utah            | George M. Hanson, P. S. C.         |

**RECESS ORDERED.**

On motion, the Supreme Lodge took recess until 9:30 a. m., Wednesday, August 11, 1920.

## SECOND DAY

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### MORNING SESSION

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The Supreme Lodge was called to order Wednesday, August 11, at 9:30 a. m. by Supreme Chancellor Charles S. Davis.

The roll was called, and Supreme Lodge officers, Past Supreme Chancellors and Supreme Representatives were found to be present as under:

CHARLES S. DAVIS, *Supreme Chancellor.*

WILLIAM LADEW, *Supreme Vice Chancellor.*

FREDERICK S. ATTWOOD, *Supreme Prelate.*

FRED E. WHEATON, *Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal.*

THOMAS D. MEARES, *Supreme Master of Exchequer.*

FRED J. G. MCARTHUR, *Supreme Master at Arms.*

DOUGLAS S. WRIGHT, *Supreme Inner Guard.*

HENRY M. WADSWORTH, *Supreme Outer Guard.*

*Past Supreme Chancellors*—JOHN J. BROWN, HENRY P. BROWN, THOMAS J. CARLING, PHILIP T. COLGROVE, EDWARD DUNN, BRIG S. YOUNG.

*Supreme Representatives*—AGATZ, ALLEN, ANDERSON, ARBENZ, BALLANTYNE, BALLREICH, BAXTER, BEANS, BECKFORD, BELL, BINNS, BLED SOE, BOESE, BOWERS, BRANTLEY, BRISTOW, BROENING, BROKAW, BROWN, BRUNT, BUCK, CABELL, CAIRNS, CONGER, CONNALLY, CONYBEARE, CRIST, CRITES, CROUCH, DARLAND, DECKMAN, DICKINSON, DICKMAN, DINNIE, DOYNE, DUNCAN, DYE, EDENS, ELLIS, ELTZ, ERWIN, FORBES, FOX, FROST, GATES, GILMAN, GRANT, GROSSMAN, GUILD, GWINN, GYLES, HAMPTON, HARBER, HARP, HARRIS, HART, HAWKINS, HEINRICHS, HELLER, HERREID, HILLER, HUNTER, HUTCHISON, JONES, KAHLERT, KELSEY, KENDALL, KERNS, KIMBALL, KING, KLINE, KNIGHT, LEWIS, LOFTIN, LOUCKS, LUMPKIN, MCCOY, MCCREARY, MCCUISH, McMILLEN, MACDONALD, MACGREGOR, MACINTYRE, MAXWELL, MEID, MENDELSON, MERRILL, MIDDLETON, MILAM, MOORE, MORRISON, MUIR, NEWBURY, NUZUM, O'CONNOR, OTWELL, PATTERSON, PERDUE, PLUMMER, POLLARD, PRIEST, PUTNAM, QUICK, RANDOLPH, REEVE, REMY, RICHARDSON, RITCHIE, SALINGER, SCHOBERTH, SCHREIBER, SCHROEDER, SCHUCHARDT, SHARPE, SIMAN, SIMPSON, SOUTHWICK, STEESE, STEIN, STEVENSON, STEWART (M. P.), STEWART (Tenn.), STOUT, STRATTON, TAYLOR, THOMPSON, TOWERS, VAUGHN, VOGEL, WARD, WARNER, WEILAND, WEIR, WELCKER, WEST, WHARTON, WHITFIELD, WILLIAMS (Kans.), WILLIAMS, (N. M.), WILLIAMSON, WILSON (Nev.), WILLSON (N. C.), WILSON (Ont.), WINN, WITTE, WOEHRL, WOODWORTH, WORMWOOD.

**JOURNAL APPROVED.**

After attention had been called to a few minor errors, misspelling of names, and said corrections being made, on motion, "the Journal of the first day was approved as printed and corrected."

**REPRESENTATIVE SLADE EXCUSED.**

The Supreme Chancellor announced that, by reason of illness, Supreme Representative Slade, of Kentucky, had been excused from attendance at the sessions of this day.

**NEW ONTARIO CREDENTIAL.**

The Committee on Credentials reported the receipt of a credential signed by the grand chancellor of Ontario, appointing Past Grand Chancellor James G. Wilson as Supreme Representative to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Supreme Representative Wilkes, "to serve until the close of this convention."

On motion of Supreme Representative Richardson, chairman of the Committee on Credentials, the credential of Supreme Representative Wilson was approved and he was seated as a member of this convention.

**"BABY MINE."**

The Supreme Pre'lade announced that this date marked the second anniversary of the birth of Hugh Williams, Jr., son of Supreme Representative Williams of New Mexico, and moved that the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal wire congratulations to "Baby Mine," which motion prevailed.

**MESSAGE FROM THE AIR.**

The Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal called attention to the fact that the opening of this convention marked the inauguration of the Government air mail service between Chicago and Minneapolis, and read the following communication delivered by said service:

**Document 28.**

CHICAGO, August 10, 1920.

FRED E. WHEATON, *Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal.*

Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Dear Brother Wheaton:

Availing ourselves of the privilege afforded by the Government in the establishment of Aeroplane Mail Service between Chicago and Minneapolis, 25,000 Chicago and Cook County Pythians send sincere greetings to the Supreme Lodge in Thirty-first Biennial Convention assembled, and beg to



express hearty good wishes for a successful meeting, and one whose deliberations will be of great benefit to our Country and to the order universal.

Illinois will show a handsome increase in membership this year.

Fraternally and sincerely,

WILLIAM G. EDENS,  
*Supreme Representative.*

### GREETINGS FROM MRS. RICHIE.

The Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal presented and read the appended communication from the widow of the late Past Supreme Chancellor Walter B. Richie ("Our Walter"), which communication, on motion, was ordered "to be printed in the Daily Journal and in the Official Record:"

#### Document 29.

LIMA, OHIO, August 9, 1920.

MY DEAR MR. WHEATON:

How I should love to be in Minneapolis this week. I am with you in spirit. How Dear Walter would have loved it. I have kept informed of the splendid activities of Supreme Chancellor Davis and the wonderful results. I feel I know something of the dear friends and the order Walter loved so well, through the "Advocate" and "Bulletin." However lamely I express it I must make few words suffice on account of lameness of hand, but I feel in volumes. The incoming Supreme Chancellor, Mr. Ladew, I have met. How Walter loved him! I can hear him say affectionately, *Billy Ladew*. I hope he will come this way during his term.

My very best wishes for a successful and happy session. Thanking the Supreme Lodge for the courtesies shown me, I assure you it is highly appreciated. Thanking you all for the much deserved compliment extended our own Wm. Beatty, I am,

Sincerely,

MRS. W. B. RICHIE.

### THE "HOBOES" OF BETHLEHEM.

The appended telegram was received and read:

#### Document 30.

BETHLEHEM, PENN., August 11, 1920.

FRED E. WHEATON, S. K. R. S.,  
Minneapolis, Minn.

Please convey to the Supreme Lodge the greetings and good wishes of Hobah lodge. May your sessions be the means of furthering the present prosperous, united and contented condition of our great order. This is a matter of pride. We owe our heartiest thanks and congratulations to the untiring efforts of the Supreme Lodge officers and we desire to show our sincere appreciation in this way.

Yours very fraternally,

HARRY A. STOVER, K. R. S.

### COMMITTEE TO VISIT SUPREME TEMPLE.

The Supreme Chancellor announced the appointment of the following committee to wait upon the Supreme Temple Pythian Sisters, now in session in this city, and present the greetings and fraternal congratulations of the Supreme Lodge:

Supreme Representative Edgar M. Harber, *Missouri*.  
Supreme Tribune Edward C. Reynolds, *Maine*.  
Supreme Representative Alva M. Lumpkin, *South Carolina*.  
Supreme Vice Chancellor William Ladew, *New York*.  
Supreme Representative A. Sterling Morrison, *Quebec*.

### ROLL CALL OF GRAND DOMAINS.

The roll of grand domains was ordered and called, for the introduction of proposed legislation and other new business.

### PYTHIAN EXPANSION.

The appended communication and resolution was offered and referred to the Committee on Finance:

#### Document 31.

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

The time has arrived in the history of our order to meet the conditions confronting us at the present time for greater Pythian activities. The Supreme Chancellor in his report to this convention says, "In the new era in the world's work we shall explore new fields of endeavor and expand in our benefactions to mankind. To do all of this the order need neither become speculative nor spectacular, nor be wafted into unknown seas on a wave of sentimentality or inexperienced suggestion." The Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal in his report to this convention says, "During the past several years much concern has been given to the thought and necessity that Pythian Knighthood engage in larger things, greater movements, and more constructive and progressive developments than has been its wont during earlier periods. Fraternity is a tremendous factor in the vital affairs of civilization but in its age-long career it has principally confined its activities within itself without broadening out upon the larger field of practical, human service. Not in all the realm of modern fraternities does there exist a better forum for larger activities than is comprehended and embraced within this order, this great American fraternity, modernly constructed, mammoth in membership and superlative in design. Its tremendous forces need co-ordination and cohesion in a greater, larger and wider emphasis of that character of real service which the world may rightfully expect from an institution that is designed to comprehend the greatest measure of welfare for all mankind. *The time for action is here.*"

The first step on the program of this Pythian expansion, forward or constructive movement is a survey of the entire field, to know our task, then to systematize the work and enlist the co-operation of the whole Pythian fraternity in the execution of the plan, through field deputies or emissaries. A Pythian commission, either elective or appointive, should make this survey, furnish the names and addresses, arranged in groups, of every male person between the ages of 18 and 50 years. Then a mighty campaign should be inaugurated and the whole Pythian army should be marshalled to help

fashion our fraternity for the great world task of humanizing and Americanizing all those worthy to be affiliated with us in an order whose mission is as broad as humanity itself and whose purpose is the final brotherhood of all mankind.

The greatest war of the ages is over. Out of the sacrifices made and the blood shed for a safe world to live in, we look out on chaos, disorder, strife and bitterness, a torn and embittered world. There are growing misunderstandings and antagonisms and a great rent between classes of society which are arrayed against each other. We see an impoverished and overburdened world. The late struggle cost the nations more than three hundred billions of dollars. Your backs and the backs of innocent generations yet unborn will be bent low with this almost incalculable load. We see a suffering and sorrowing world. Eleven million graves meet our view. What an awful cost! The vacant chair always to remain vacant. We see the awful tragedy of millions of men, women and children fade away in physical suffering and death. We see a confused and bewildered world. Not a few people are inquiring the "way out." What were called sure foundations yesterday are shifting sands today. What we called pillars of civilization yesterday are crumpled into dust today. A mighty serious time and all must admit the confusion.

If our country is to be saved for true democracy, civic righteousness and humanity, it must depend on its schools, churches and fraternal societies. As an order we are looking out into a new day of unprecedented opportunity. A day of big construction. Will we widely swing open our doors to a friendly, constructive, imperative ministry to all mankind? If we do it now we will call to the Pythian colors millions of men now strangers to the art of brotherhood. In the midst of social and industrial unrest, sadness and sorrow, we will make Pythian or brotherly love the ruling passion in every man's life.

This movement invites a supreme devotion of thought, time, money, service and sacrifice, but only by wise and aggressive action can we help solve successfully the most difficult problems of human relationships. The "great white ways" of the city will become Pythian highways, crowned with the blessings of knighthood. The rural fields will blossom with the fragrance of flowers of love and all paths will be strewn with Pythian gems. Will we do something vastly greater and better than anything ever heretofore attempted in our history? Will we gird ourselves, mass our forces, stabilize and energize for the country's redemption from unselfishness and bitterness? Will we help to put the world on its feet again through patriotic service and brotherly co-operation? Will we accomplish our mission?

*Therefore, be it resolved, First*, that we make a scientific survey of the whole Pythian world.

*Second*, that in the light of the facts of the survey to build a Pythian program that will command the sacrificial loyalty of every Pythian Knight.

*Third*, to discover unlodged acres and groups and institute subordinate lodges within such territory.

*Fourth*, to secure the name, age and address of every male between the ages of 18 and 50 years in every domain and through paid field deputies and the co-operation of all Pythian agencies secure their application for membership into the order.

*Fifth*, to state an adequate program to meet the needs discovered in the survey, which program may be budgeted in terms or policies involved, leadership, field deputies and money required.

*Sixth*, to discover and plan to eliminate the waste of overlapping lodges and Pythian competitive enterprises, thus planning for the most economical as well as most efficient distribution of Pythian forces.

*Seventh*, to cover all territory, both city and country, and associate for Pythian purposes the peoples who have a common social and industrial as well as a civic life.

*Eighth*, in the light of the facts discovered by the survey and the study of the program arranged to rise in our might to the greatness of the moment, so that co-operation will take the place of competition, generosity of greed; justice of oppression and brotherhood of class hatred; operate and foster a new fellowship among men who are now strangers to our Pythian humanity, rendering an imperishable service to the individual, the home, the state and the nation.

*Ninth*, that the Supreme Chancellor appoint a commission of five Supreme Representatives to be selected from different sections of the Supreme Domain, to be allowed the same mileage and per diem as the representatives of this convention. That said commission shall have full power and authority to select field deputies and devise ways and means and the manner of making the foregoing resolutions and survey effective at once. That the retiring Supreme Chancellor be a member of said commission, and that the Supreme Chancellor be a member ex-officio of this commission.

RENO S. HARP, *Md.*

J. EDWARD RICHARDSON, *Md.*

WILLIAM F. BROENING, *Md.*

(For report of committee on this document, recommending its rejection, see document 238, also action immediately taken by the Supreme Lodge directing that the subject matter be referred to the Special Committee on Construction Fund and Work, to report thereon at the convention of 1922.)

### GRAND LODGE VISITORS.

The following proposition was presented, passed on first and second reading and referred to the Committee on Judiciary:

#### Document 32.

A proposition to amend article xi, section 2, of the Supreme constitution.

*Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias*, That article xi, section 2, of the Supreme constitution be and the same is hereby amended by striking out all of said section after the words "past chancellors" and inserting in lieu thereof the following: "But any member in good standing may be admitted as a visitor at any session of the grand lodge" so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

Section 2. The grand lodge shall be composed only of past chancellors, but any member in good standing may be admitted as a visitor at any session of the grand lodge.

ALBERT E. SHARPE, *Mich.*

ROBERT J. WEST, *Mich.*

JAMES A. MUIR, *Mich.*

PHILIP T. COLGROVE, *P. S. C.*

(For report of committee on this document, recommending its rejection, see document 161; for final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting report and rejecting the proposition, see proceedings of the sixth day, afternoon session.)

### NO COMPULSORY BENEFITS.

The following proposition was presented, passed on first and second reading, and referred to the Committee on Judiciary:



**Document 33.**

A proposition to amend article xii, section 8, of the Supreme constitution.

*Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias,* That article xii, section 8, of the Supreme constitution be and the same is hereby amended, by striking out said section and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

Section 8. No subordinate lodge may provide for the arbitrary and compulsory payment of sick or funeral benefits in any stipulated amount; but any lodge may by two-thirds vote order the payment of such adequate amounts in individual cases as may be commensurate with the member's needs and the lodge's financial ability.

LEROY H. KELSEY, *Mo.*  
FRANK B. HILLER, *Mo.*  
EDGAR M. HARBER, *Mo.*  
JOSEPH J. CRITES, *Mo.*

(For report of committee on this document, recommending its rejection, see document 162; for final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting report and rejecting the proposition, see proceedings of the sixth day, afternoon session.)

**FLAG CEREMONY.**

The following proposition was presented, passed on first and second reading, and referred to the Committee on Judiciary:

**Document 34.**

A proposition to amend part ii, division iii, chapter i, section 180(a) of the Supreme statutes, entitled, "Warrants and Charters."

*Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias,* That part ii, division iii, chapter i, section 180(a) of the Supreme statutes be and the same is hereby amended, by striking out the following words beginning in the seventh line, "The chancellor commander will then call the members to their feet." Be it further amended by striking out the following words beginning in the ninth line "at the same time exclaiming, 'Long may it wave.' " Be it further amended that at the end of section 180(a) there be added the following words, "That the salute given the flag be the military salute of the country in which the lodge is located and that the music used during the flag ceremony shall only be the National Anthem of the country in which the lodge is located." So that section 180(a) as amended shall read as follows: Prior to the opening of a subordinate lodge the chancellor commander shall instruct the master at arms as follows: "Master at arms, you will retire to the ante-room and bring in the flag of our country." The master at arms shall salute the chancellor commander, then retire to the ante-room where he will procure a flag previously prepared on a staff, bringing it unfurled into the castle hall and placing it in front of and opposite the station of the chancellor commander. The chancellor commander will say: "You will salute the flag of our country." After this ceremony the flag will be placed at the right of the station of the chancellor, in a socket prepared for it, where it will remain throughout the session of the lodge.

That the salute given the flag be the military salute of the country in which the lodge is located, and the music used during the flag ceremony shall only be the National Anthem of the country in which the lodge is located.

FRANK B. HILLER, *Mo.*  
LEROY H. KELSEY, *Mo.*  
JOSEPH J. CRITES, *Mo.*  
EDGAR M. HARBER, *Mo.*

(For report of committee on this document, recommending a substitute, see document 191; for final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting report and passing substitute proposition on third reading, see proceedings of the sixth day, evening session.)

**PYTHIAN STANDARD—FLAG CEREMONY.**

The following proposition was presented, passed on first and second reading, and referred to the Committee on Judiciary:

**Document 35.**

A proposition to amend part ii, division i, chapter i, section 180, of the Supreme statutes, entitled, "Warrants and Charters."

*Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias,* That part ii, division iii, chapter i, section 180, of the Supreme statutes be and the same is hereby amended, to read as follows:

180. The warrant or charter of a subordinate lodge must be displayed whenever the lodge is in session. Should any subordinate lodge desire to place its original charter in a safe deposit vault or other place of safety, to protect it against destruction by fire or other cause, it may, upon presenting a certificate to that effect to its grand lodge, be granted a duplicate or working charter, to be displayed in the lodge room in lieu of the original charter, the fee for which shall not exceed five dollars. The flag of the country in which a lodge is located and the standard of the order shall also be displayed in the following manner:

(a) Prior to the opening of a subordinate lodge the chancellor commander shall instruct the master at arms as follows: "Master at arms, you will retire to the ante-room and bring in the flag of our country, and the standard of the order." The master at arms accompanied by an aide, shall salute the chancellor commander, then retire to the ante-room where they will procure the flag and standard previously prepared on staffs, bringing them unfurled into the castle hall and placing them in front and opposite the station of the chancellor commander. The chancellor commander will then call the members to their feet, saying: "Brothers, you will salute the flag of our country and the standard of our order." The members will then rise, salute the flag and standard in unison, at the same time exclaiming, "Long may they wave." After this ceremony the flag and standard will be placed at the station of the chancellor commander; the flag of our country at the right and the standard of the order at the left, where they will remain throughout the session of the lodge.

CLARENCE MACGREGOR, N. Y.

JOHN STEVENSON, N. Y.

EDWARD STEPHEN O'CONNOR, N. Y.

WILLIAM GROSSMAN, N. Y.

(For report of committee on this document, recommending a substitute proposition, but eliminating the Pythian Standard, see document 191; for final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting report and passing substitute proposition on third reading, see proceedings of the sixth day, evening session.)

**REVISION OF THE RITUAL.**

The appended resolution was offered, read, and referred to the Committee on State of the Order:

**Document 36.**

*Be it resolved by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias,* That the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal, and two members of the Supreme Lodge to be appointed by the Supreme Chancellor, are hereby constituted as a committee, and authorized and directed to revise the ritual, and to eliminate therefrom

those portions of the secret work of the order not generally used by the membership.

JAMES H. GWINN, *Ore.*  
FRANK S. GRANT, *Ore.*  
LESLIE E. CROUCH, *Ore.*

(For report of committee on this document, recommending its rejection, see document 118; for final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting report and rejecting the resolution, see proceedings of the fifth day, morning session.)

### NATIONALIZE PYTHIAN HOMES.

The appended resolution was offered, read, and referred to the Committee on State of the Order:

#### Document 37.

*Be it resolved by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias,* That the Supreme Chancellor be and is hereby authorized to appoint a committee of nine, to prepare and present proposed legislation at the next convention of the Supreme Lodge, relative to nationalizing and establishing one or more Pythian Homes, such homes to be maintained under the supervision and at the expense of the Supreme Lodge through an assessment upon the entire membership of the Supreme domain.

JAMES H. GWINN, *Ore.*  
FRANK S. GRANT, *Ore.*  
LESLIE E. CROUCH, *Ore.*

(For report of committee on this document, proposing a substitute, see document 186; for final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting report and substitute resolution, see proceedings of the sixth day, evening session.)

### NATIONAL PYTHIAN PAPER.

The appended resolution was offered, read, and referred to the Committee on Good of the Order:

#### Document 38.

*Be it resolved by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias,* That the Supreme Chancellor appoint a committee of five, to investigate and report at the next convention of the Supreme Lodge, the feasibility and estimated cost of the publication of a Pythian paper, to be published under the direction and at the expense of the Supreme Lodge, such paper to be sent to the entire membership of the order.

JAMES H. GWINN, *Ore.*  
FRANK S. GRANT, *Ore.*  
LESLIE E. CROUCH, *Ore.*

(For report of committee on this document, recommending an amendment to and adoption of the resolution, see document 220; for final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting report and amended resolution, see proceedings of the seventh day.)

### PROHIBITED OCCUPATIONS.

The appended resolution was offered, read, and referred to the Committee on Judiciary:

#### Document 39.

*Be it resolved by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias,* That the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal be and is hereby directed to eliminate from the printed form of application for the ranks of knighthood, the following:

"That I am not engaged in either of the occupations known as professional gambler, saloon keeper, bartender, or dealer in spirituous liquors, wine, ale or beer."

And that the following be incorporated in said application form:

"I believe it my duty to my country to love it, to support its constitution, obey its laws, respect its flag, and to defend it against all enemies."

JAMES H. GWINN, *Ore.*

FRANK S. GRANT, *Ore.*

LESLIE E. CROUCH, *Ore.*

(For report of committee on this document, recommending its rejection, see document 156; for final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting report and rejecting the resolution, see proceedings of the sixth day, afternoon session.)

### EXAMINATION BY CHANCELLOR COMMANDER.

The following proposition was presented, passed on first and second reading, and referred to the Committee on Judiciary:

#### Document 40.

A proposition to amend part ii, division iii, chapter iv, section 211a of the Supreme statutes, entitled, "The Ranks of Knighthood."

*Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias,* That section 211a of part ii, division iii, chapter iv, of the Supreme statutes, entitled, "The Ranks of Knighthood," be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

211a. Before any candidate for any rank in a subordinate lodge, upon whom any rank of the order has been conferred, shall be advanced to a higher rank, he shall stand a satisfactory examination relative to the teachings of the rank or ranks received, which examination shall be held in open lodge by the chancellor commander."

JAMES H. GWINN, *Ore.*

FRANK S. GRANT, *Ore.*

LESLIE E. CROUCH, *Ore.*

(For report of committee on this document, recommending its adoption, see document 163; for final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting report and passing the proposition on third reading, see proceedings of the sixth day, afternoon session.)

### M. F. TO COMMUNICATE S. A. P. W.

The following proposition was presented, passed on first and second reading, and referred to the Committee on Judiciary:

#### Document 41.

A proposition to amend part ii, chapter i, section 304, of the Supreme statutes, entitled, "Semi-annual Password."

*Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias,* That part ii, chapter i, section 304, of the Supreme statutes be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

304. Upon presentation of an official receipt for all indebtedness to his lodge to the beginning of the current semi-annual term, to any chancellor commander, by one who shall, by personal identification or examination in the secret work, or both, prove himself to be the person designated in such official receipt, then such chancellor commander shall, personally and orally, communicate to him the semi-annual password for the current semi-annual term; provided, that, should the person presenting such official receipt be intoxicated or insane, then such chancellor commander may refuse to com-



municate to him the semi-annual password, but in such case he shall at once notify the chancellor commander of the lodge issuing such receipt, of his action and the reason therefor; provided, however, that when any member of the order who has attained the ranks of knighthood pays all indebtedness to the master of finance to the beginning of the term for which such password is issued, the master of finance is empowered to personally and orally communicate to such member the semi-annual password."

JAMES H. GWINN, *Ore.*

FRANK S. GRANT, *Ore.*

LESLIE E. CROUCH, *Ore.*

(For report of committee on this document, recommending its rejection, see document 164; for final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting report and rejecting the proposition, see proceedings of the sixth day, evening session.)

### COMMITTEE ON PROGRAM.

The following proposition was presented, passed on first and second reading, and referred to the Committee on Good of the Order:

#### Document 42.

A proposition to amend division iii, part ii, chapter iii, section 194a, entitled, "Officers."

*Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias,* That division iii, part ii, chapter iii, section 194a, Supreme statutes, be and the same hereby is amended to read as follows:

194a. In every subordinate lodge there shall be a standing committee of three members appointed at the time of the installation of officers, to serve for a period of six (or twelve) months, to be known as the committee on entertainment and instruction. It shall be the duty of this committee to prepare and manage lodge programs, consisting of social entertainments, concerts, lectures, addresses, papers and debates on popular topics, the object being to emphasize the teachings of the order, the responsibilities and duties of citizenship, and patriotic loyalty to our government.

(a) The Supreme Chancellor, Supreme Vice Chancellor, Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal, and two members to be appointed by the Supreme Chancellor (to serve during his pleasure) shall constitute a committee on program whose duty it shall be to prepare a tentative or suggestive program for subordinate lodges, in harmony with the provisions of this section.

(b) It shall be the duty of the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal to transmit through the grand keeper of records and seal of each grand domain, a copy of such program to each subordinate lodge of the order.

(For report of committee on this document, recommending its adoption, see document 221; for final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting report and passing the proposition on third reading, see proceedings of the seventh day.)

### ALLOWANCE TO MRS. VANDERVEER.

The appended resolution was offered, read, and referred to the Committee on Finance:

#### Document 43.

WHEREAS, By the action of the Supreme Lodge at Portland, Oregon, on document 31, as amended at Detroit by document 67, the amount of six hundred dollars annually, for two years, payable fifty dollars per month, was appropriated for the benefit of Mary B. Vanderveer, widow of the late

Abraham D. Vanderveer, deceased, who was one of the original thirteen who gave birth to the order on the 19th day of February, 1864, at Washington, D. C., and

WHEREAS, The said Mary B. Vanderveer is still the widow of the said Abraham D. Vanderveer, deceased, and the circumstances which prompted the action of the Supreme Lodge for the relief of the said Mary B. Vanderveer continue to exist; now, therefore

*Be it resolved by the Supreme Lodge* in convention assembled, at Minneapolis, Minnesota, this 11th day of August, 1920, that the amount of six hundred dollars annually for the ensuing two years, is appropriated for the benefit of the said Mary B. Vanderveer, the said amount to be paid her in monthly installments of fifty dollars for the said period of two years, or until her death or marriage.

ALBERT KAHLERT, *D. C.*  
JOHN B. DICKMAN, *D. C.*  
EDWARD DUNN, *P. S. C.*

(For report of committee on this document, recommending its adoption, see document 86; for final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting report and adopting the resolution, see proceedings of the fifth day, morning session.)

### SPECIAL ORDER—ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The appended resolution was offered and adopted:

#### Document 44.

*Be it resolved by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias*, That the election of officers be made the special order of business at 10:30 o'clock a. m., Thursday, August 12th.

RICHARD S. WITTE, *Wis.*  
CHAS. J. DECKMAN, *Ohio.*

### SECRET SESSION ORDERED.

The appended resolution was offered and adopted:

#### Document 45.

*Be it resolved by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias*, That the Supreme Lodge go into secret session Monday at 11:00 o'clock a. m., for the consideration and disposal of such business as is either pending or may be presented.

RICHARD S. WITTE, *Wis.*  
CHAS. J. DECKMAN, *Ohio.*

### RULES OF ORDER.

The Committee on Rules submitted the appended report:

#### Document 46.

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Rules would respectfully recommend the adoption of the rules of the convention of 1918 with the exception of Rule 15, which shall be as follows:

15. A roll call may be demanded by five members of the Supreme Lodge entitled to vote on any pending proposition, in which case the roll shall be called, and the yeas and nays duly recorded.

H. OSCAR KLINE, *Acting Chairman.*

On motion of Past Supreme Chancellor Young, "Rule 15, as amended, was adopted," whereupon, on motion, the report of the committee was adopted.

### REPORTS REFERRED.

The Committee on Subdivision and Reference submitted the appended report, which was adopted:

#### Document 47.

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Subdivision and Reference to which was referred the report of the board of control and officers of the insurance department and the biennial report of the Pythian War Relief Commission would respectfully submit the following report:

*To the Insurance Committee:*

The report of the board of control and officers of the insurance department.

*To the Committee on Ways and Means:*

The biennial report of the Pythian War Relief Commission.

JOSEPH J. CRITES, *Chairman.*

### "DOKEYS" ENDORSED.

The appended resolution was offered and adopted:

#### Document 48.

WHEREAS, The Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias, heretofore in regular convention assembled, officially recognized the Dramatic Order Knights of Khorassan as an auxiliary of the Order of Knights of Pythias; and

WHEREAS, It has been observed that active Khorassan Temples, by affording the opportunity of Pythians generally to meet in social intercourse and to practice fraternity by a dramatic exemplification of its motto, "Lift Up the Fallen," which is a Christian precept at the foundation of moral conduct, and the teaching of which is the predominant purpose of the Dramatic Order Knights of Khorassan, are assiduously carrying forward the principles of the Pythian order; therefore

*Be it resolved by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias,* that it strongly endorses the Dramatic Order Knights of Khorassan as an auxiliary of the Order Knights of Pythias, and urges Pythians to affiliate with the Khorassan order and thereby co-operate with it in advancing the cause of humanity.

WILLIAM F. BROENING, *Md.*

J. EDWARD RICHARDSON, *Md.*

RENO S. HARP, *Md.*

### S. R. SLADE EXCUSED.

The appended resolution was offered and adopted:

#### Document 49.

WHEREAS, Supreme Representative Robert L. Slade, of Kentucky, is now confined to his room at the Curtis Hotel, in this city, and in the opinion of physicians his condition is such as renders imperative immediate treatment by a specialist; and

WHEREAS, He desires to be taken to Mayo Brothers Sanatorium at Rochester, Minn.; therefore

*Be it resolved by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias*, That Supreme Representative Robert L. Slade, of Kentucky, be excused from further attendance at this convention, and that he be allowed mileage and per diem for the entire convention.

OLEONDER H. POLLARD, *Ky.*  
HARRY A. SCHOBERTH, *Ky.*

### NATIONAL PYTHIAN ASSEMBLY.

The Supreme Representatives of Ohio, on request, submitted a communication from the grand chancellor and grand keeper of records and seal of Ohio, transmitting a proposal for a National Pythian Assembly, to be composed of past chancellors and past chiefs (Pythian sisters), which was referred to the Committee on State of the Order.

(For report of committee on the foregoing, recommending that no action be taken on the subject matter, see document 115; for final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting report, see proceedings of the fifth day, morning session.)

### SPECIAL ORDER—PYTHIAN EXPANSION.

The appended resolution was offered and adopted:

#### Document 50.

*Be it resolved by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias*, That all resolutions and propositions having in view the expansion of the Order, or any forward or reconstruction movement anticipating a survey of the entire Pythian world, be made a special order for Friday morning at 10:30 o'clock.

RENO S. HARP, *Md.*

### INVITATIONS FOR 1922.

The Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal submitted invitations received from the following cities for the regular convention of the Supreme Lodge for 1922: Indianapolis, Indiana; San Francisco, California; Atlantic City, New Jersey; and San Diego, California.

Supreme Representative Brantley, of Georgia, suggested that the city of Washington, D. C., be considered.

Past Supreme Chancellor Colgrove moved that a special committee be appointed to consider all invitations received, which motion prevailed, and the Supreme Chancellor appointed the following committee:

Past Supreme Chancellor COLGROVE.  
Supreme Representative WITTE, *Wisconsin.*  
Supreme Representative BALLREICH, *Colorado.*  
Supreme Representative HARP, *Maryland.*  
Supreme Representative CAIRNS, *Quebec.*



**GREETINGS TO OHIO.**

The Supreme Prelate called attention to the net gain of 17,000 in Ohio during last two years and moved that the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal wire William Beatty, grand keeper of records and seal of Ohio, congratulations for such good results in time for August bulletin, which motion prevailed.

**RECESS.**

On motion the Supreme Lodge took recess until 2:00 p. m., this day.

## SECOND DAY

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### AFTERNOON SESSION

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The Supreme Lodge was called to order Wednesday, August 11, at 2:00 p. m., by Supreme Chancellor Charles S. Davis.

The roll was called, and Supreme Lodge officers, Past Supreme Chancellors and Supreme Representatives were found to be present as under:

CHARLES S. DAVIS, *Supreme Chancellor*.  
 WILLIAM LADEW, *Supreme Vice Chancellor*.  
 FREDERICK S. ATTWOOD, *Supreme Prelate*.  
 FRED E. WHEATON, *Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal*.  
 THOMAS D. MEARES, *Supreme Master of Exchequer*.  
 FRED J. G. MCARTHUR, *Supreme Master at Arms*.  
 DOUGLAS S. WRIGHT, *Supreme Inner Guard*.  
 HENRY M. WADSWORTH, *Supreme Outer Guard*.

*Past Supreme Chancellors*—JOHN J. BROWN, HENRY P. BROWN, THOMAS J. CARLING, PHILIP T. COLGROVE, EDWARD DUNN, BRIG S. YOUNG.

*Supreme Representatives*—AGATZ, ALLEN, ANDERSON, ARBENZ, BALLANTYNE, BALLREICH, BAXTER, BEANS, BECKFORD, BELL, BINNS, BLEDSOE, BOESE, BOWERS, BRANTLEY, BRISTOW, BROENING, BROKAW, BROWN, BRUNT, BUCK, CABELL, CAIRNS, CONGER, CONNALLY, CONYBEARE, CRIST, CRITES, CROUCH, DARLAND, DECKMAN, DICKINSON, DICKMAN, DINNIE, DOYNE, DUNCAN, DYE, EDENS, ELLIS, ELTZ, ERWIN, FORBES, FOX, FROST, GATES, GILMAN, GRANT, GROSSMAN, GUILD, GWINN, GYLES, HAMPTON, HARBER, HARP, HARRIS, HART, HAWKINS, HEINRICHS, HELLER, HERREID, HILLER, HUNTER, HUTCHISON, JONES, KAHLERT, KELSEY, KENDALL, KERNS, KIMBALL, KING, KLINE, KNIGHT, LEWIS, LOFTIN, LOUCKS, LUMPKIN, MCCOY, MCCREARY, MCCUISH, McMILLEN, MACDONALD, MACGREGOR, MACINTYRE, MAXWELL, MEID, MENDELSON, MERRILL, MIDDLETON, MILAM, MOORE, MORRISON, MUIR, NEWBURY, NUZUM, O'CONNOR, OTWELL, PATTERSON, PERDUE, PLUMMER, POLLARD, PRIEST, PUTNAM, QUICK, RANDOLPH, REEVE, REMY, RICHARDSON, RITCHIE, SALINGER, SCHOBERTH, SCHREIBER, SCHROEDER, SCHUCHARDT, SHARPE, SIMAN, SIMPSON, SOUTHWICK, STEESE, STEIN, STEVENSON, STEWART (M. P.), STEWART (Tenn.), STOUT, STRATTON, TAYLOR, THOMPSON, TOWERS, VAUGHN, VOGEL, WARD, WARNER, WEILAND, WEIR, WELCKER, WEST, WHARTON, WHITFIELD, WILLIAMS (Kans.), WILLIAMS, (N. M.), WILLIAMSON, WILSON (Nev.), WILLSON (N. C.), WILSON (Ont.), WINN, WITTE, WOHRLE, WOODWORTH, WORMWOOD.



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### CALL OF DOMAINS.

The roll call of grand domains was ordered for the introduction of legislation and other new business.

### G. L. RANK ON CHANCELLOR COMMANDER.

The following proposition was presented, passed on first and second reading, and referred to the Committee on Judiciary:

#### Document 51.

A proposition to amend article v, par. b, and article xi, section 2, Supreme constitution.

*Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias*, That article v and xi be amended to read as follows:

1. That article v, par. b, be amended by inserting the words, "and a sitting chancellor commander" after the words, "past chancellor in good standing," making the paragraph read as follows:

*Par. b.* The grand lodge rank, which shall be attained by a past chancellor in good standing, and a sitting chancellor commander, and in such manner as the Supreme Lodge may by law prescribe.

2. That article xi, section 2, of the constitution, be amended by inserting the words "and sitting chancellor commander" after the word "chancellors," making the section read:

Sec. 2. A grand lodge shall be composed only of past chancellors and sitting chancellors commander who have attained the grand lodge rank.

BENJ. I. SALINGER, *Iowa*.

JOSEPH N. MCCOY, *Iowa*.

CLEMENT F. KIMBALL, *Iowa*.

JAMES W. HUNTER, *Iowa*.

(For report of committee on this document, recommending its rejection, see document 165; for final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting report and rejecting the proposition, see proceedings of the sixth day, evening session.)

### JUNIOR BRANCH OF THE ORDER.

The appended resolution was offered, read, and referred to the Committee on Good of the Order:

#### Document 52.

WHEREAS, We realize the great influence of early surroundings and associations upon the ideals and habits of maturer years, and recognize the desirability of inculcating the principles of Pythianism in the lives of our youth; therefore,

*Be it resolved by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias*, That a special committee of three be appointed by the incoming Supreme Chancellor to investigate, and to recommend to the 1922 convention of the Supreme Lodge, as to the advisability of establishing a junior branch of the Pythian order for teenage boys; and if such report be favorable, to also prepare and submit an appropriate ritual for same.

LEROY H. KELSEY, *Mo.*

FRANK B. HILLER, *Mo.*

EDGAR M. HARBER, *Mo.*

JOSEPH J. CRITES, *Mo.*

(For report of committee on this document, recommending its rejection, see document 222; for final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting report and rejecting the resolution, see proceedings of the seventh day.)

**P. C. HONOR ON CONSOLIDATION.**

The following proposition was presented, passed on first and second reading, and referred to the Committee on Judiciary:

**Document 53.**

A proposition to amend article vi, par. a, of the Supreme constitution, entitled, "The Honors of the Order."

*Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias,* That article vi, par. a, of the Supreme constitution be and the same is hereby amended, by striking out the words "which shall merge with another subordinate lodge" in the eighth and ninth line of said section and inserting therein the words "who shall have served in that capacity before such lodge shall have merged with another subordinate lodge." Said section when amended will read as follows:

*Par. a.* Past chancellor, which shall be attained upon the installation of his successor, by every chancellor commander who shall have served to the end of his official term; and, at the institution of a subordinate lodge, by the four members thereof who shall have been chosen by the lodge to receive that honor; and by the keepers of records and seal and masters of finance of subordinate lodges who have served or shall hereafter serve their respective lodges at least five consecutive years in said offices; and by the chancellor commander of a subordinate lodge who shall have served in that capacity before such lodge shall have merged with another subordinate lodge, notwithstanding the fact he shall not have served until the end of his term.

JOSEPH J. CRITES, *Mo.*  
LEROY H. KELSEY, *Mo.*  
EDGAR M. HARBER, *Mo.*  
FRANK B. HILLER, *Mo.*

(For report of committee on this document, proposing an amendment to the constitution relating to the attainment of the honor of past chancellor on consolidation of lodges, see document 154; for final action of the Supreme Lodge, agreeing to the proposed constitutional amendment as contained in document 154, see proceedings of the sixth day, afternoon session.)

**SPECIAL ORDER—1922 CONVENTION.**

The special committee to which had been referred invitations for the location of the Supreme Lodge convention of 1922, offered the appended resolution, which was read and adopted:

**Document 54.**

*Be it resolved by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias,* That the place of holding the thirty-second convention of the Supreme Lodge for 1922 be made a special order immediately following the election of officers Thursday, August 12th, 1920.

PHILIP T. COLGROVE,  
RICHARD S. WITTE,  
RENO S. HARP,  
WILSON M. CAIRNS,  
CHARLES S. BALLREICH,  
*Committee.*

**FRATERNITY EXEMPLIFIED.**

The appended resolution was offered and adopted:

**Document 55.**

WHEREAS, Knight Charles Allen, of Damon Lodge No. 5, Winnipeg, who attended at Minneapolis to visit with and to take part in the Supreme Lodge convention and entertainment, was stricken on Monday with paralysis and is now confined in St. Mary's Hospital, Minneapolis; now, therefore,

*Be it resolved by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias*, That the Supreme Master at Arms be and is hereby directed to obtain, in the name of the Supreme Lodge, suitable floral and fruit remembrances, and that same be conveyed by him to Brother Allen; that the prayer of the Supreme Lodge is that Brother Allen may speedily recover his health and return to his motherless children in Winnipeg completely restored;

*Further resolved*, That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Brother Allen and to Damon Lodge No. 5, Winnipeg.

EDWARD DUNN, *P. S. C.*  
BRIG S. YOUNG, *P. S. C.*  
HENRY P. BROWN, *P. S. C.*  
JOHN J. BROWN, *P. S. C.*  
THOMAS J. CARLING, *P. S. C.*  
PHILIP T. COLGROVE, *P. S. C.*  
WILLIAM B. STEWART, *Tenn.*  
WILL L. ERWIN, *La.*  
SAMUEL N. RANDOLPH, *Utah.*  
JAS. G. WILSON, *Ontario.*  
WILLIAM A. STEWART, *M. P.*  
WILSON M. CAIRNS, *Quebec.*  
JOHN M. LEWIS, *Ind.*  
R. GEO. MCCUISH, *Sask.*  
RICHARD S. WITTE, *Wis.*  
ALEX. L. MACINTYRE, *Man.*  
JAMES A. WHARTON, *Minn.*  
EDWARD S. O'CONNOR, *N. Y.*  
FRED J. G. MCARTHUR, *S. M. A.*

**SUSPENSION AND REINSTATEMENT.**

The following proposition was presented, passed on first and second reading, and referred to the Committee on Judiciary:

**Document 56.**

A proposition to amend part ii, division iii, chapter ix, section 243, of the Supreme statutes, entitled, "Suspension and Reinstatement."

*Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias*, That part ii, division iii, chapter ix, section 243, of the Supreme statutes be and the same is hereby amended by striking out all that part between the word "knighthood" in the fourth line and the word "should" in the twelfth line, so that the section shall read as follows:

243. Upon the report of the investigating committee, and subject to the restriction of the preceding section, such application shall be balloted upon by secret ball ballot, as in the case of an application for the ranks of knighthood.

*Par. a.* Should a former member of the order who was suspended for non-payment of arrearages, desire to be restored to membership in the order by becoming a member of some subordinate lodge other than the one from which he was suspended, he may make application therefor to such subordinate lodge in the manner provided by law; such application shall be accompanied by the fee fixed by law, and be subject to the provisions of sections 201, 202 and 203 of the Supreme statutes. Cubes shall be deemed to be black balls within the meaning of this section.

THOMAS J. CARLING, *P. S. C.*

CHARLES M. MILAM, *Ga.*

MILLER S. BELL, *Ga.*

BENJAMIN D. BRANTLEY, *Ga.*

(For report of committee on this document, recommending its rejection, see document 194; for final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting report and rejecting the proposition, see proceedings of the sixth day, evening session.)

### RULES AND REGULATIONS.

The following extract from the official proceedings of the supreme assembly, military department, was presented and referred to the Committee on Military Department:

#### Document 57.

Herewith proceedings of the Supreme Assembly of the Uniform Rank, Knights of Pythias, Cleveland, Ohio, July 29th, 1920.

The following proposition was offered and identified as document No. 3:

Be it enacted by the Supreme Assembly, Uniform Rank, Knights of Pythias: That article 23, page 17, of the rules and regulations, be and the same is hereby amended by striking out the words and figures "fifty dollars (\$50)," and substituting therefor the words and figures, "sixty dollars (\$60)," and by further striking out the words and figures, "twenty-five dollars (\$25)," where the same appears the second time therein, and substituting therefor the words and figures, "thirty-five dollars (\$35);" said article when so amended to read as follows:

The application for a company shall contain the signatures of not less than twenty-one Knights in good standing, and shall also contain a certificate that no one of said applicants has been rejected by a company at any time within the preceding six months. A fee of sixty dollars (\$60) shall accompany the application for a warrant and supplies. If the application be transmitted through brigade headquarters, \$25 thereof may be retained by such headquarters for payment to the organizer, and the balance of \$35 to be transmitted with the application to general headquarters.

That the foregoing proposition was unanimously adopted.

JOHN H. MAXWELL, *Me.*

(For report of committee on this document, recommending that the legislation therein be approved, see document 130; for final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting report and approving the legislation, see proceedings of the sixth day, morning session.)

### SHALL HOMES BE NATIONALIZED?

The appended resolution was offered:

#### Document 58.

WHEREAS, There are now existing and in operation in the Supreme domain, a number of Pythian Homes for the care of aged and dependent members of the order, their wives and children, maintained and operated by the various grand domains; and



WHEREAS, There are numerous grand domains within the Supreme domain of limited membership, who are unable to adequately care for their dependent members, their widows and children, in established homes, and are without means to suitably build and equip such homes as are built and maintained by other larger domains; and

WHEREAS, In matters of benevolence, Pythian fraternalism should be equitably and equally distributed, so that all members of the Order, no matter in what domain located, can receive and enjoy the full benefits and beneficence of our order; and

WHEREAS, This object cannot be attained under present conditions, and can only be secured when all of the Pythian Homes are under the direct control and management of the Supreme Lodge and owned by it; therefore

*Be it resolved by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias*, That looking toward such consolidation of the ownership and management of the aforesaid homes, a commission of five members of this Supreme Lodge be appointed by the present Supreme Chancellor to ascertain the sentiment of the several grand domains in which homes are at present located, on the question as to whether said homes shall, may or can be taken over by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias, to be operated and maintained under the control and direction of the Supreme Lodge; and if such sentiment be found favorable, to also ascertain the terms upon which said domains are willing to transfer said homes to the ownership and management of the Supreme Lodge; and that this commission be directed to report fully and in writing to the next Supreme Lodge, and that such report be placed in the hands of the Supreme Chancellor and Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal at least sixty days before the next session of the Supreme Lodge.

*Be it further resolved*, That the commission appointed by the Supreme Chancellor shall be allowed no compensation other than their actual traveling and hotel expenses, and the expense incurred in correspondence and postage.

JOSEPH J. CRITES, *Mo.*  
EDGAR M. HARBER, *Mo.*  
FRANK B. HILLER, *Mo.*  
LEROY H. KELSEY, *Mo.*

Past Supreme Chancellor Young moved "that the resolution be indefinitely postponed."

The point of order was raised, "that the motion was not in order," whereupon the Supreme Chancellor ruled that "the point was well taken."

Past Supreme Chancellor Young appealed from the decision of the chair, and, a vote being taken, the decision of the Supreme Chancellor was sustained.

On motion, it was ordered "that the resolution be referred to the Committee on State of the Order."

(For report of committee on this document, recommending that the resolution therein be amended and adopted, see document 140; for final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting report and resolution as amended, see proceedings of the sixth day, morning session.)

### CITIZENSHIP QUALIFICATION.

The following proposition was presented, passed on first and second reading, and referred to the Committee on Judiciary:

**Document 59.**

A proposition to amend part ii, division iii, chapter iv, section 195(h) of the Supreme statutes, entitled, "The Ranks of Knighthood."

*Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias,* That part ii, division iii, chapter iv, section 195(h), of the Supreme statutes, be and the same is hereby amended, so as to read as follows:

195(h). He must be a citizen of the country in which he lives, must profess his undivided allegiance to the flag of such country and the principles of government represented thereby, and must believe in the maintenance of order and the upholding of the constituted authority thereof.

GRAHAM PERDUE, *Ala.*

BENJ. A. TAYLOR, *Ala.*

ANDREW G. PATTERSON, *Ala.*

(The committee made no specific report on this document, save and except as contained in document 184 proposing a revision of section 195, Supreme statutes; for final action of the Supreme Lodge, passing the proposition as contained in document 184 on third reading, see proceedings of the sixth day, evening session.)

**DUES OF NON-RESIDENT MEMBERS.**

The following proposition was presented, passed on first and second reading, and referred to the Committee on Judiciary:

**Document 60.**

A proposition to amend chapter vi, section 226a of the Supreme statutes, entitled, "Dues, Fines and Assessments."

*Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias,* That chapter vi, section 226a, of the Supreme statutes be and the same is hereby amended, so that the same shall read as follows:

226a. When a member of a subordinate lodge shall have removed from the jurisdiction of his own lodge to the jurisdiction of another lodge, it shall be the duty of the keeper of records and seal of the lodge of which he is a member, to immediately notify the lodge within whose jurisdiction he has located, of said member's removal, together with his address, if known, and it shall be the duty of the master of finance of the lodge within whose jurisdiction the member has located, upon request of said member, to collect dues and assessments from the member and issue to him a temporary receipt therefor, and the collecting lodge shall retain 10 per cent of all moneys collected as aforesaid as compensation for their services, and remit the balance to the master of finance of the lodge to which said member belongs, which lodge shall accept said balance as payment in full for all moneys due from said member, and issue to him the official receipt therefor.

JAMES W. HUTCHISON, *Pa.*

H. OSCAR KLINE, *Pa.*

BENJ. MOORE, *Pa.*

JAS. A. STEESE, *Pa.*

HARRY A. THOMPSON, *Pa.*

(For report of committee on this document, recommending its rejection, see document 166; for final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting report and rejecting the proposition, see proceedings of the sixth day, evening session.)

**FISCAL YEAR, INSURANCE DEPARTMENT.**

The following proposition was presented, passed on first and second reading, and referred to the Committee on Insurance Department:

**Document 61.**

A proposition to amend part i, division vii, chapter ii, section 414, of the Supreme statutes, entitled, "Board of Control—Composition and Powers of."

*Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias*, That part i, division vii, chapter ii, section 414, of the Supreme statutes be and the same is hereby amended.

By striking out paragraph "a" of said section.

EDWARD C. PLUMMER, *Me.*

SCOTT M. LOFTIN, *Fla.*

CHARLES F. REMY, *Ind.*

HILTON S. HAMPTON, *Fla.*

(For report of committee on this document, recommending its amendment and adoption, see document 146; for final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting report, further amending the proposition and passing same on third reading, see proceedings of the sixth day, morning session.)

**MEMBERS' CERTIFICATES.**

The following proposition was presented, passed on first and second reading, and referred to the Committee on Insurance Department:

**Document 62.**

A proposition to amend part i, division vii, chapter vi, section 491, of the Supreme statutes, entitled, "Classes, Membership, Members' Obligations and Rights."

*Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias*, That part i, division vii, chapter vi, section 491, of the Supreme statutes be and the same is hereby amended by striking out clauses (b) and (c) thereof and by inserting in lieu thereof the following:

(b) Members whose certificates are issued upon plan "C" or the modified separate plan, shall make payments during the calendar year of their admission to membership on said plan at the rate applicable to their respective ages of entry, and they shall make payments during each succeeding calendar year of their membership at their respective attained ages. That is to say, members receiving certificates on said plan "C," whose respective age at date of admission is forty-three years, shall pay each month respectively, during the calendar year of their admission to membership on said plan "C," the sum of \$1.35; and for each month during the next succeeding calendar year such members, respectively, shall pay \$1.40; and for each month during the next succeeding calendar year such members respectively shall pay \$1.45; and so on, for each succeeding calendar year thereafter they shall respectively pay a sum each month corresponding with said rate, according to the said table of rates for the age they will attain, respectively, during such calendar year; and thereafter, if they desire to retain membership in the Insurance Department, they shall, upon furnishing a medical examination satisfactory to the Board of Control, be transferred to plan "A," surrendering their plan "C" certificates and receiving plan "A" certificates and being rated at their attained ages; and, unless so transferred, their membership in the Insurance Department shall terminate upon said member attaining age sixty-five. By "attained" age in any year is meant the age the person has attained or will attain, on his birthday occurring during such calendar year.

(c) Members whose certificates are issued upon plan "D," or the level plan to age sixty-five, shall respectively make payment each month so long as they remain members of said plan "D," at the rate corresponding to their respective ages at date of their respective certificates, until such members attain the age of sixty-five years, respectively. Whenever a member of said plan

"D" attains the age of sixty-five years, his certificate shall thereby cease to have any value or be of any effect, and payments under said certificate shall cease. Members of plan "D" attaining the age of sixty-five years, who may elect to do so and who pass a medical examination satisfactory to the Board of Control, shall be transferred to plan "A," rated at attained age, and receive plan "A" certificates for so much insurance as they may transfer, and shall upon being transferred be treated as members of plan "A."

EDWARD C. PLUMMER, *Me.*  
SCOTT M. LOFTIN, *Fla.*  
CHARLES F. REMY, *Ind.*

(For report of committee on this document, proposing an amended proposition, see document 93; for final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting report and passing amended proposition on third reading, see proceedings of the fifth day, morning session.)

### CLASSIFICATION OF CERTIFICATES.

The following proposition was presented, passed on first and second reading, and referred to the Committee on Insurance Department:

#### Document 63.

A proposition to amend part i, division vii, chapter vi, section 499, of the Supreme statutes, entitled, "Classes, Membership, Members' Obligations and Rights."

*Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias,* That part i, division vii, chapter vi, section 499, of the Supreme statutes be and the same is hereby amended, to read as follows:

499. Said fifth class is hereby declared to have begun operation on the first day of January, A. D. 1907, and is now composed of nine plans, viz: "A," "B," "C," "D," "E-A," "E-B," "G-A," "G-B" and "H-A." Members of said fifth class shall have the right to transfer from a plan having a lower rate of monthly contributions from members to a plan having a higher rate of monthly contributions, without medical examination or expense, but at attained age, provided that where such transfer is made as of age 65 such member shall furnish a medical examination satisfactory to the Board of Control. Such transfers from a lower rate plan to a higher rate plan, if made before membership in said plan transferred from has been carried for thirty-six months, shall operate to forfeit any reserve which the transferring member may have. Where such transfer is made after the certificate has been carried for thirty-six months, the member shall receive credit for the reserve (if any) under such surrendered certificate to be applied as payments under the new certificate until exhausted. No other transfers within the fifth class from one plan to another plan shall be allowed. Members desiring to transfer from a higher rate plan to a lower rate plan shall be treated as new applicants, and members who take extended or paid-up insurance and desire to secure membership in some other plan, or upon another certificate in said fifth class, shall be treated as new applicants. The board of control shall have full power and authority to make such rules and regulations as may be necessary to fully carry into effect the provisions of this section.

EDWARD C. PLUMMER, *Me.*  
SCOTT M. LOFTIN, *Fla.*  
CHARLES F. REMY, *Ind.*

(For report of committee on this document, recommending its adoption, see document 93; for final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting report and passing proposition on third reading, see proceedings of the fifth day, morning session.)



### REGULATING LIABILITY ON DEATH.

The following proposition was presented, passed on first and second reading, and referred to the Committee on Insurance Department:

#### Document 64.

A proposition to amend part i, division vii, chapter vi, section 508, of the Supreme statutes, entitled, "Classes, Membership, Members' Obligations and Rights."

*Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias,* That part i, division vii, chapter vi, section 508, of the Supreme statutes be and the same is hereby amended, by striking out the words "who" after the words fifth class and by inserting in lieu thereof the words "whose certificate." Said section, as amended, will read as follows:

508. If the death of any member of the fourth or fifth classes heretofore admitted or hereafter admitted to said classes shall result from suicide, either voluntary or involuntary, whether such member shall be sane or insane at the time, or if such death shall be caused or superinduced by the use of intoxicating liquors, narcotics, or opiates or in consequence of a duel, or at the hands of justice, or in violation of, or attempted violation of, any criminal law, then the amount to be paid upon such member's certificate in lieu of the face amount thereof, shall be a sum only in proportion to the whole amount as the matured life expectancy is to the entire expectancy at date of said member's admission to the insurance department, the expectation of life based upon the American Experience Table of Mortality in force at the time of such death to govern; provided, that in case of members transferred to the fourth class from either of the first, second or third classes, and in the case of members transferred from the fourth to the fifth class, the date of such transfer shall be taken as the date of admission to the insurance department in computing the amount to be paid as aforesaid; provided, further, that this section shall not apply to any member of the fifth class whose certificate has at the time of his death been in continuous good standing in the fifth class for thirty-six months, consecutively, immediately preceding his death, nor to any member of the fourth class who has been in continuous good standing in the fourth class for thirty-six months, consecutively, immediately preceding his death, and thirty-six months succeeding January 1, A. D. 1911."

EDWARD C. PLUMMER, *Me.*  
SCOTT M. LOFTIN, *Fla.*  
CHARLES F. REMY, *Ind.*

(For report of committee on this document, recommending its adoption, see document 94; for final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting report and passing proposition on third reading, see proceedings of the fifth day, morning session.)

### PROOF OF DEATH.

The following proposition was presented, passed on first and second reading, and referred to the Committee on Insurance Department:

#### Document 65.

A proposition to amend part i, division vii, chapter vii, section 512, of the Supreme statutes, entitled, "Proofs of Death, etc."

*Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias,* That part i, division vii, chapter vii, section 512, of the Supreme statutes be and the same is hereby amended, to read as follows:

512. The proof of death of a member shall, in all cases, be furnished by the beneficiary or beneficiaries on blank forms to be obtained of the board, and shall contain affidavits of the attending physician or physicians, the undertaker who officiated at the funeral, the master of finance as to standing of deceased in the subordinate lodge at time of death, and from such other person or persons as may be required; affidavits to be made before an officer authorized to take affidavits, and having a seal. The board may require any other or additional documents or information in any case, and no proof of the death shall be deemed complete in any case until the board shall be fully satisfied with the document filed, and in every case such proofs as may be required shall be furnished the board free of expense to it.

EDWARD C. PLUMMER, *Me.*

SCOTT M. LOFTIN, *Fla.*

CHARLES F. REMY, *Ind.*

HILTON S. HAMPTON, *Fla.*

(For report of committee on this document, recommending its adoption, see document 95; for final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting report and passing the proposition on third reading, see proceedings of the fifth day, morning session.)

### TIME LIMIT ON NEW BUSINESS.

The appended resolution was offered and adopted:

#### Document 66.

*Be it resolved by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias, That after the close of the session of the Supreme Lodge, Friday, August 13th, no new legislation shall be proposed or offered except same emanates from a committee or by unanimous consent.*

RICHARD S. WITTE, *Wis.*

JOHN BALLANTYNE, *Mass.*

### MINIMUM FEE, \$25.00.

The Committee on Ways and Means submitted the appended report, which was read and referred to the Committee on Judiciary:

#### Document 67.

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred that part of the Supreme Chancellor's and Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal's report regarding increase in initiation fee to \$25, would respectfully submit the following report:

Your committee is not unanimous upon this report, but desire to present it in a way that it may come before the convention without the necessity of a minority report.

We recommend that the incoming Supreme Chancellor shall promulgate the idea of increasing the minimum fee for membership to \$25, and that the same be submitted to the several grand domains of the Supreme domain, so that the several grand domains may give their respective Supreme Representatives such instructions in relation thereto as they may deem advisable, so that the same may be acted upon at the next convention of the Supreme Lodge.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM K. WHITFIELD, *Chairman.*

(For report of committee on this document, submitting a proposed constitutional amendment in harmony therewith, see document 185; for final action of the Supreme Lodge, ordering that the report lie on the table and rejecting the proposed constitutional amendment, see proceedings of the sixth day, evening session.)

### TEXAS RELIEF APPROVED.

The Committee on Ways and Means submitted the appended report, which was read and adopted:

#### Document 68.

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred portions of the Supreme Chancellor's report, would respectfully submit the following report:

We beg to report that the portions of the Supreme Chancellor's report dealing with the matter of the high cost of living and the action of the Supreme Chancellor in transmitting \$1,000 for relief in the domain of Texas, requires no legislative action and the portions of the report of the Supreme Chancellor in question should be approved, and the Supreme Chancellor commended for the action taken in these cases.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM K. WHITFIELD, *Chairman.*

### HAVERLY DEFALCATION.

The special committee on the defalcation of Paul J. B. Haverly submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### Document 69.

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your special committee, the Supreme Representatives of Illinois, to which was referred the special matter of the defalcation of Paul J. B. Haverly, would respectfully submit the following report:

The portion of the report of the Supreme Chancellor dealing with this subject, is a fair statement of the facts in relation to the case.

We deem it advisable to add thereto the following additional statement: After the defalcation of Haverly, Grand Chancellor Smith L. Von Fossen, who named Haverly as the successor to Brother Henry P. Caldwell, deceased, as grand keeper of records and seal, resigned and vacated his office as grand chancellor.

The Grand Lodge of Illinois at its annual convention, held in Bloomington, in September, 1919, made a thorough investigation of all matters pertaining to the defalcation of Haverly, and after due consideration passed a resolution severely censuring the grand chancellor for having named Haverly as grand keeper of records and seal; and named a legal advisory committee to investigate the question of the possible personal liability of Brother Smith L. Von Fossen for having named Haverly to the position of grand keeper of records and seal. The committee was empowered to employ counsel, and do all things necessary to determine the liability not only of Smith L. Von Fossen, but of the bonding company and of the Harris Trust and Savings Bank.

Suits are now pending against the bonding company in Macoupin County, Illinois, and against the Harris Trust and Savings Bank in the court in Cook County.

Said suits will be brought to an early trial in the courts of Illinois. Indictments have been returned in the criminal court of Cook County, charging Haverly with embezzlement and forgery; and efforts are now being made through the regular channels to apprehend him.

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS WILLIAMSON, *Ill.*  
JOHN B. VAUGHN, *Ill.*  
JOHN J. REEVE, *Ill.*  
WILLIAM G. EDENS, *Ill.*  
WILLIAM K. WHITFIELD, *Ill.*

(The Supreme Lodge took no final, specific action, on this report.)

### MILITARY COMMISSION.

The Military Commission submitted the appended report which was referred to the Committee on Military Department:

#### Document 70.

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your special committee, known as the Military Commission, would respectfully submit the following report:

In considering the subject matter of the military department, the commission has held two meetings and consulted freely with Supreme Chancellor Davis, Supreme Vice Chancellor Ladew, and with General Loomis; besides, we have endeavored to get in touch with those who in each domain were active in the work of the order.

We have taken into consideration the various circumstances which have surrounded and affected the department during the past few years. The country has been confronted with an unusual situation and the minds of men have been absorbed with the great war and its consequences. During such a time development of a semi-military organization was manifestly impossible. Now that the war is over and conditions returning to the normal, the outlook for improvement and numerical increase is much more promising. Evidence of this fact is found in the accession of nearly one thousand new members in this department since January 1, 1920. A successful camp was held two weeks ago in the city of Cleveland, Ohio, on which occasion more than twenty-three hundred members of the uniform rank were placed under canvas. A very noticeable and attractive parade was held, which drew the attention of many thousand spectators. This was the first camp of the uniform rank held since 1914, and a very ready response of the members is an evidence of renewed interest in the work of this department.

The following considerations as bearing upon this problem, appeal to your commission:

*First.* We have in the order of Knights of Pythias a very large proportion of service men who have gained the greater or less knowledge of military matters through their war experience. These young men constitute fine material for recruits in the uniform rank. Many of them have already joined our companies and many others can be secured.

*Second.* A great barrier in the way of increasing our membership has been the high cost of uniforms. These problems were met at the recent session of the Supreme Assembly by the adoption of a modified service uniform for use in drilling and in camp. This will furnish an incentive for many to join our companies who have previously been deterred by the obstacle of expense.



*Third.* Should the Supreme Lodge adopt the "eighteen-year-old proposition," it will open up a still more promising field for the propagation of this work.

*Fourth.* There should be and must be a well thought out and vigorous campaign of publicity and a program of field work, which shall reach all the grand domains and be conducted along intelligent and practical lines. We feel that there has been a lack of understanding and co-operation between the subordinate lodges and the companies of the uniform rank. Such a campaign could not fail to accomplish results and be beneficial not only to the uniform rank, but the order at large.

*Fifth.* We believe there should be greater sympathy and closer relationship between the grand officers in the various grand lodges and the state officials of the uniform rank. If the grand chancellor could be made in a measure to occupy a similar relation to the brigade in the various states, that the Supreme Chancellor sustains toward the uniform rank at large, we believe beneficial results would follow.

*Sixth.* There is a natural repugnance on the part of a great many of our people to the expression "Military." It might not be unwise to change the name of this branch of the order from the "Military Department" to the "Uniform Rank," so as to dispel any impression that this order fosters any militaristic ideas.

*Seventh.* And finally, we believe there should be a closer and more active co-operation and control of this department by the Supreme Lodge. Under the operation of the law, all departments of the order are under the control and guidance of the Supreme governing body. As a matter of fact, this relationship has not been as carefully maintained during the past few years as we believe it should have been. If in the future there can be a more sympathetic and helpful co-operation between the Supreme Lodge and the officials of the uniform rank, we believe beneficial results will certainly follow.

WILLIAM G. EDENS, *Chairman*,  
RICHARD I. WARNER,  
CHARLES J. DECKMAN,  
*Commission.*

(For report of committee on this document, approving the recommendations, see document 214; for final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting reports, see proceedings of the seventh day.)

### 5,000 POPULATION FOR NEW LODGES.

The following proposition was presented, passed on first and second reading, and referred to the Committee on Good of the Order:

#### Document 71.

A proposition to amend part i, division iii, chapter i of the Supreme statutes, entitled "Institution."

*Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias*, That part i, division iii, chapter i, of the Supreme statutes be and the same is hereby amended, by adding thereto a new section to be known as "section 165a," as follows:

165a. On and after the first day of January, 1922, no warrant or charter shall be issued to a subordinate lodge to be located at any place except in cities or towns having a population of more than five thousand, as shown by the last federal, state or territorial census taken in such city or town; provided, that in the case of lodges sought to be instituted outside the territorial limits

of the United States, such population shall be determined by the last official census taken by the government of the country in which such lodge is sought to be instituted.

J. CARLYLE SOUTHWICK, *S. D.*

(For report of committee on this document, recommending its rejection, see document 223; for final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting report and rejecting the proposition, see proceedings of the seventh day.)

## CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS.

The final consideration of the proposed constitutional amendments agreed to at the convention of 1918, was taken up.

### "Honors for Meritorious Service."

#### ARTICLE VI.

##### THE HONORS OF THE ORDER.

*Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias,* That article vi of the Supreme constitution entitled, "The Honors of the Order," be and the same hereby is amended by adding thereto a new paragraph to be known as "Par. g;" said paragraph to read as follows:

*Par. g.* The Supreme Lodge shall have power to provide by statute for the conferring of the honors of the order in recognition of meritorious services to country or our order.

The foregoing amendment was taken up, and failed of passage on roll call of grand domains by the following vote:

The grand domains voting "yea" were: Arizona, Delaware, Idaho, Illinois, Iowa, Louisiana, Manitoba, Maryland, Mississippi, Missouri, Nebraska, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon, Rhode Island, South Dakota, Tennessee, Utah, Virginia, West Virginia, Wisconsin—27.

The grand domains voting "nay" were: Alabama, Alberta, Arkansas, British Columbia, California, Colorado, Connecticut, District of Columbia, Georgia, Indiana, Kansas, Kentucky, Maine, Maritime Provinces, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Montana, North Carolina, Ontario, Pennsylvania, Quebec, South Carolina, Texas, Vermont, Washington, Wyoming—27.

And so the amendment was rejected.

### "Minimum Age—18 Years."

#### ARTICLE XII.

##### SUBORDINATE LODGES.

*Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias,* That section 6, article xii, of the Supreme constitution, entitled, "Subordinate Lodges," be and the same hereby is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 6. The ranks of knighthood shall be attained and conferred only in accordance with the requirements of Supreme law. The conditions of eligibility to such ranks shall be uniform, and shall be fixed by the Supreme statutes; provided always, that no person shall be initiated into the order

unless he be a white male, of good moral character, eighteen years of age and a believer in a Supreme Being; and provided further, that the fees for the ranks of knighthood shall not be less than ten dollars in the currency of the United States of America or its equivalent in the currency of the country in which the lodge is located.

The foregoing amendment was taken up and passed on call of grand domains by the following vote:

The grand domains voting "yea" were: Alberta, Arizona, Arkansas, British Columbia, California, Connecticut, Delaware, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Manitoba, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, Nevada, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Ontario, Oregon, Quebec, Rhode Island, South Carolina, South Dakota, Utah, Vermont, Virginia, Washington—39.

The grand domains voting "nay" were: Alabama, Colorado, District of Columbia, Georgia, Maine, Maritime Provinces, Nebraska, New Hampshire, New Mexico, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, Texas, West Virginia, Wisconsin, Wyoming—15.

And so the amendment was adopted.

### **"Amending Supreme Constitution."**

#### **ARTICLE XVII.**

##### **AMENDMENTS.**

*Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias*, That section 1, article xvii, of the Supreme constitution, entitled, "Amendments," be and the same hereby is amended to read as follows:

Section 1. Any amendment of this constitution may be proposed in the Supreme Lodge at any regular convention thereof, and if a majority of all the members of the Supreme Lodge agree to said amendment, it shall be entered on the record with the yeas and nays thereon, and the further consideration thereof deferred until the next regular convention of the Supreme Lodge. Said amendment shall be forwarded to each grand keeper of records and seal, who shall report it to the next convention of his grand lodge for its action thereon.

*Par. a.* It hereby is made the duty of the grand keeper of records and seal of each grand domain, to report immediately under the seal of his grand lodge, to the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal the vote of his grand lodge on such constitutional amendment.

*Par. b.* At the next regular convention of the Supreme Lodge, the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal shall report the result of the action of the various grand domains on each proposed constitutional amendment, and each amendment that shall have been agreed to by a majority of all the grand domains shall become a part of the constitution upon the Supreme Chancellor making a declaration to that effect.

The foregoing amendment was taken up and passed on call of grand domains by the following vote:

The grand domains voting "yea" were: Alabama, Alberta, Arizona, Arkansas, British Columbia, California, Colorado,

Connecticut, Delaware, District of Columbia, Georgia, Idaho, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Manitoba, Maritime Provinces, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Ontario, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Quebec, Rhode Island, South Dakota, Tennessee, Utah, Virginia, Washington, West Virginia, Wisconsin, Wyoming—50.

The grand domains voting "nay" were: Indiana, South Carolina, Texas, Vermont—4.

And so the amendment was adopted.

### EXPECTATION OF LIFE.

The following proposition was presented, passed on first and second reading, and referred to the Committee on Insurance Department:

#### Document 72.

A proposition to amend part i, division vii, chapter viii, section 527, of the Supreme statutes, entitled, "General and Miscellaneous Provisions."

*Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias*, That part i, division vii, chapter viii, section 527, of the Supreme statutes, be and the same is hereby amended:

By inserting in vertical column in the tables under the word "age" and "Expectation of Life, No. of Years" and immediately preceding "21" and 41.53 the following:

|         |       |
|---------|-------|
| 18..... | 43.53 |
| 19..... | 42.87 |
| 20..... | 42.20 |

EDWARD C. PLUMMER, *Me.*

ALBERT F. WILLIAMS, *Kan.*

(For report of committee on this document, proposing a substitute and recommending its adoption, see document 96; for final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting report and passing proposition on third reading, see proceedings of the fifth day, morning session.)

### MEMBERS' PAYMENTS.

The following proposition was presented, passed on first and second reading, and referred to the Committee on Insurance Department:

#### Document 73.

A proposition to amend part i, division vii, chapter vi, section 492(h), of the Supreme statutes, entitled, "Classes, Membership, Members' Obligations and Rights."

*Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias*, That part i, division vii, chapter vi, section 492(h), of the Supreme statutes, be and the same is hereby amended:

By striking out the figures "21" appearing in the third line of said section and inserting in lieu thereof the figures "18". Said section as amended will read as follows:



(h) The payments required to be made shall be, in addition to other payments and assessments required by the department, as follows:

|                                     |                |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|
| From ages 18 to 39, inclusive ..... | \$0.05 per mo. |
| From ages 40 to 44, inclusive ..... | .10 per mo.    |
| From ages 45 to 49, inclusive ..... | .15 per mo.    |
| From ages 50 to 52, inclusive ..... | .20 per mo.    |
| Ages 53 and 54, inclusive .....     | .25 per mo.    |
| Age 55 .....                        | .30 per mo.    |
| Age 56 .....                        | .35 per mo.    |
| Age 57 .....                        | .40 per mo.    |
| Age 58 .....                        | .45 per mo.    |
| Age 59 .....                        | .50 per mo.    |
| Age 60 .....                        | .55 per mo.    |

EDWARD C. PLUMMER, *Me.*

ALBERT F. WILLIAMS, *Kan.*

(For report of committee on this document, recommending its adoption, see document 97; for final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting report and passing the proposition on third reading, see proceedings of the fifth day, morning session.)

### READJUSTMENT OF AGES.

The following proposition was presented, passed on first and second reading, and referred to the Committee on Insurance Department:

#### Document 74.

A proposition to amend part i, division vii, chapter i, section 404, of the Supreme statutes, entitled, "Name, Purposes, Composition and Territory."

*Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias,* That part i, division vii, chapter i, section 404, of the Supreme statutes, be and the same is hereby amended:

By striking out of clause (b) the words "twenty-one" and by inserting in lieu thereof the word "eighteen." Said statute as amended will read as follows:

404. This society in its insurance department shall be composed of an unlimited number of members, organized into subordinate bodies known as sections, and whose obligations and rights and the rights of their beneficiaries are limited by the class or plan to which each member belongs. Membership in the insurance department can be attained only by members in good standing in a subordinate lodge of this society, and who possess the following qualifications, viz:

(a) Who have attained the rank of knight in a subordinate lodge of this society.

(b) Who are between the ages of eighteen and fifty years; provided that, except in states, territories or provinces where the laws forbid, membership may be obtained in the fifth class by applicants who are between the ages of eighteen and sixty years and who are otherwise eligible.

(c) Who are mentally, morally and physically eligible to be classed as desirable insurance risks.

(d) Who are not following any calling or occupation in the prohibited class as hereinafter named, nor engaged in any business deemed by the board to unfit one for insurance.

Membership can be maintained in the insurance department of this society only by the observance on the part of its members of the provisions contained and mentioned in these statutes.

At the date of the adoption of these statutes, the membership of the insurance department (heretofore called the "endowment rank") is hereby declared to be divided into three classes, viz:

(i) The first class, composed of not to exceed four members.

(ii) The second class, composed of not to exceed four members.

(iii) The fourth class, composed of all other members of said insurance department, heretofore called the "endowment rank."

The obligations of the members of the said three classes, their rights and the rights of their beneficiaries, are now and have always been measured by the laws governing the particular class to which each member belongs. A continuation of this policy is hereby declared so long as there are members of more than one class. Without in any way disturbing the status of any member of either the first, second or fourth class, it is hereby declared the purpose of this society to create and establish a new class to be called the fifth class. Except as may be otherwise specifically provided, every and all provisions of these statutes apply alike upon all members of the insurance department without regard to a division of the membership into classes.

EDWARD C. PLUMMER, *Me.*

(For report of committee on this document, recommending its adoption, see document 98; for final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting report and passing the proposition on third reading, see proceedings of the fifth day, morning session.)

### REDUCED-AGE RATES.

The following proposition was presented, passed on first and second reading, and referred to the Committee on Insurance Department:

#### Document 75.

A proposition to amend part i, division vii, chapter ii, section 434, of the Supreme statutes, entitled, "Board of Control—Composition and Powers of."

*Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias*, That part i, division vii, chapter ii, section 434, of the Supreme statutes, be and the same is hereby amended by inserting immediately preceding "21" and "\$1.50" in the table under plan "G-A" and "21" and "\$2.10," under plan "G-B" respectively the following:

|         |        |         |        |
|---------|--------|---------|--------|
| 18..... | \$1.45 | 18..... | \$2.00 |
| 19..... | 1.45   | 19..... | 2.05   |
| 20..... | 1.50   | 20..... | 2.05   |

EDWARD C. PLUMMER, *Me.*

(For report of committee on this document, recommending its adoption, see document 99; for final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting report and passing the proposition on third reading, see proceedings of the fifth day, morning session.)

### READJUSTMENT OF RATES.

The following proposition was presented, passed on first and second reading, and referred to the Committee on Insurance Department:

#### Document 76.

A proposition to amend part i, division vii, chapter vi, section 490, entitled, "Classes, Membership, Members' Obligations and Rights."

*Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias*, That part i, division vii, chapter vi, section 490, of the Supreme statutes, be and the same is hereby amended by inserting vertically in the table in clause (d) thereof, immediately above "21," "\$1.40," "\$2.05," "\$1.10" and "\$1.15," respectively, the following:

|             |             |             |             |
|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| 18...\$1.35 | 18...\$2.00 | 18...\$1.05 | 18...\$1.10 |
| 19... 1.35  | 19... 2.00  | 19... 1.05  | 19... 1.10  |
| 20... 1.40  | 20... 2.05  | 20... 1.05  | 20... 1.15  |

EDWARD C. PLUMMER, *Me.*

(For report of committee on this document, recommending its adoption, see document 100; for final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting report and passing proposition on third reading, see proceedings of the fifth day, morning session.)

## NEW INSURANCE—PLAN H-A.

The following proposition was presented, passed on first and second reading, and referred to the Committee on Insurance Department:

**Document 77.**

A proposition to amend part i, division vii, chapter vi, section 492, of the Supreme statutes, entitled, "Classes, Membership, Members' Obligations and Rights."

*Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias,* That part i, division vii, chapter vi, section 492, of the Supreme statutes, be and the same is hereby amended by inserting in vertical column in the tables under "Age" and "Monthly Payments" and immediately preceding "21," "\$1.30," "21" and "\$1.90" the following:

|         |        |         |        |
|---------|--------|---------|--------|
| 18..... | \$1.25 | 18..... | \$1.85 |
| 19..... | 1.25   | 19..... | 1.85   |
| 20..... | 1.30   | 20..... | 1.90   |

Also by adding after clause (m) the following clause (n):

(n) The board of control is further authorized and directed to issue, in addition to the plans now in force under the fifth class, and as set out in this statute, what shall be known as Plan H-A, which said plan shall provide for the payment of \$10 per thousand of the face of the certificate carried therein for the payment to the beneficiary, in the sum of \$10 per month per thousand of the face of said policy, for and during a period of one hundred months, making one hundred equal monthly payments to said beneficiary.

The following table represents gross rates covering the amount of both mortuary and expense elements, and the rates are on \$1,000 of insurance:

TABLE OF RATES.  
PLAN H-A.

| Age     | Monthly Payment | Age     | Monthly Payment |
|---------|-----------------|---------|-----------------|
| 18..... | \$1.20          | 45..... | \$2.50          |
| 19..... | 1.20            | 46..... | 2.60            |
| 20..... | 1.25            | 47..... | 2.70            |
| 21..... | 1.25            | 48..... | 2.80            |
| 22..... | 1.30            | 49..... | 2.95            |
| 23..... | 1.35            | 50..... | 3.10            |
| 24..... | 1.35            | 51..... | 3.25            |
| 25..... | 1.40            | 52..... | 3.40            |
| 26..... | 1.40            | 53..... | 3.55            |
| 27..... | 1.40            | 54..... | 3.70            |
| 28..... | 1.45            | 55..... | 3.85            |
| 29..... | 1.50            | 56..... | 4.00            |
| 30..... | 1.55            | 57..... | 4.20            |
| 31..... | 1.60            | 58..... | 4.40            |
| 32..... | 1.65            | 59..... | 4.60            |
| 33..... | 1.70            | 60..... | 4.80            |
| 34..... | 1.75            | 61..... | 5.05            |
| 35..... | 1.80            | 62..... | 5.30            |
| 36..... | 1.85            | 63..... | 5.55            |
| 37..... | 1.90            | 64..... | 5.85            |
| 38..... | 1.95            | 65..... | 6.15            |
| 39..... | 2.00            | 66..... | 6.50            |
| 40..... | 2.05            | 67..... | 6.85            |
| 41..... | 2.10            | 68..... | 7.25            |
| 42..... | 2.20            | 69..... | 7.65            |
| 43..... | 2.30            | 70..... | 8.10            |
| 44..... | 2.40            |         |                 |

EDWARD C. PLUMMER, *Me.*

(For report of committee on this document, recommending its adoption, see document 101; for final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting report and passing the proposition on third reading, see proceedings of the fifth day, morning session.)

On motion it was ordered that the Supreme Lodge take recess until 9:00 o'clock a. m., Thursday, August 12th.

## THIRD DAY

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### MORNING SESSION

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The Supreme Lodge was called to order Thursday, August 12, at 9:00 a. m., by Supreme Chancellor Charles S. Davis.

The roll was called, and Supreme Lodge officers, Past Supreme Chancellors and Supreme Representatives were found to be present as under:

CHARLES S. DAVIS, *Supreme Chancellor.*

WILLIAM LADEW, *Supreme Vice Chancellor.*

FREDERICK S. ATTWOOD, *Supreme Prelate.*

FRED E. WHEATON, *Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal.*

THOMAS D. MEARES, *Supreme Master of Exchequer.*

FRED J. G. MCARTHUR, *Supreme Master at Arms.*

DOUGLAS S. WRIGHT, *Supreme Inner Guard.*

HENRY M. WADSWORTH, *Supreme Outer Guard.*

*Past Supreme Chancellors*—JOHN J. BROWN, HENRY P. BROWN, THOMAS J. CARLING, PHILIP T. COLGROVE, EDWARD DUNN, BRIG S. YOUNG.

*Supreme Representatives*—AGATZ, ALLEN, ANDERSON, ARBENZ, BALLANTYNE, BALLREICH, BAXTER, BEANS, BECKFORD, BELL, BINNS, BLEDSOE, BOESE, BOWERS, BRANTLEY, BRISTOW, BROENING, BROKAW, BROWN, BRUNT, BUCK, CABELL, CAIRNS, CONGER, CONNALLY, CONYBEARE, CRIST, CRITES, CROUCH, DARLAND, DECKMAN, DICKINSON, DICKMAN, DINNIE, DOYNE, DUNCAN, DYE, EDENS, ELLIS, ELTZ, ERWIN, FORBES, FOX, FROST, GATES, GILMAN, GRANT, GROSSMAN, GUILD, GWINN, GYLES, HAMPTON, HARBER, HARP, HARRIS, HART, HAWKINS, HEINRICHS, HELLER, HERREID, HILLER, HUNTER, HUTCHISON, JONES, KAHLERT, KELSEY, KENDALL, KERNS, KIMBALL, KING, KLINE, KNIGHT, LEWIS, LOFTIN, LOUCKS, LUMPKIN, MCCOY, MCCREARY, MCCUISH, McMILLEN, MACDONALD, MACGREGOR, MACINTYRE, MAXWELL, MEID, MENDELSON, MERRILL, MIDDLETON, MILAM, MOORE, MORRISON, MUIR, NEWBURY, NUZUM, O'CONNOR, OTWELL, PATTERSON, PERDUE, PLUMMER, POLLARD, PRIEST, PUTNAM, QUICK, RANDOLPH, REEVE, REMY, RICHARDSON, RITCHIE, SALINGER, SCHOBERTH, SCHREIBER, SCHROEDER, SCHUCHARDT, SHARPE, SIMAN, SIMPSON, SOUTHWICK, STEESE, STEIN, STEVENSON, STEWART (M. P.), STEWART (Tenn.), STOUT, STRATTON, TAYLOR, THOMPSON, TOWERS, VAUGHN, VOGEL, WARD, WARNER, WEILAND, WEIR, WELCKER, WEST, WHARTON, WHITFIELD, WILLIAMS (Kans.), WILLIAMS, (N. M.), WILLIAMSON, WILSON (Nev.), WILLSON (N. C.), WILSON (Ont.), WINN, WITTE, WOEHRL, WOODWORTH, WORMWOOD.



**JOURNAL APPROVED.**

On motion of Supreme Representative Arbenz, of West Virginia, the Journal of the second day was approved as printed.

**BROTHER WITTE'S SORROW.**

The Supreme Chancellor announced that, by reason of the serious illness of the mother of Supreme Representative Witte, of Wisconsin, Brother Witte deemed it necessary that he return to his home immediately.

Supreme Representative Warner, of Wisconsin, moved "That Supreme Representative Witte be excused from further attendance at this convention," which motion unanimously prevailed.

On request of the Supreme Chancellor, the Supreme Prelate invoked aid from the "Supreme Chancellor on High" that the beloved mother of Brother Witte may be spared to a longer life and that her devoted son may safely reach her side—during which invocation the Supreme Lodge stood with bowed heads.

**GREETINGS FROM ZION.**

The Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal presented and read the following telegrams inviting the Supreme Lodge to hold its thirty-second regular convention in Salt Lake City, Utah:

SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH, August 11, 1920.

FRED E. WHEATON, *S. K. R. S.*, Minneapolis, Minn.

On behalf of the State of Utah, I extend through you to your organization, sincere wishes for a profitable and successful convention and a cordial invitation to honor Salt Lake City, by designating it as the meeting place for your next convention.

SIMON BAMBERGER, *Governor*.

SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH, August 11, 1920.

FRED E. WHEATON, Minneapolis, Minn.

Salt Lake City extends cordial, urgent invitation to Knights of Pythias to hold thirty-second convention here. National Education Association, International Rotary Clubs and many others entertained here in pleasing and satisfactory manner. This historic center of West extends hand of welcome, with the promise of a pleasant and profitable visit, and bids you come.

C. CLARENCE NESLEN, *Mayor*.

SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH, August 11, 1920.

FRED E. WHEATON, *S. K. R. S.*, Knights of Pythias Convention, Minneapolis, Minn.

Salt Lake City, finest convention city in America, invites nineteen-twenty-two Convention Supreme Lodge. Just sent home, a month ago, members of N. E. A. Convention, feeling that no city ever had given them better opportunity for annual meeting.

C. B. HAWLEY, *Pres. Com. Club*.

**FRATERNAL MESSAGES.**

The appended telegrams were received, read, and ordered to be printed in the Daily Journal and Official Record:

RICHMOND, CALIFORNIA, August 11, 1920.

CHARLES S. DAVIS, *Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias*,  
Minneapolis, Minn.

Fraternal greetings. Inspired by your slogan, "Double the Membership," Richmond Lodge number thirteen has increased from 211 to 526 within eighteen months. Fifteen additional petitions pending. One hundred and fifty-five petitions secured since Yosemite Convention. Beat it.

ARCHIE MILTON HOWES.

CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, August 11, 1920.

CHARLES S. DAVIS, *Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias*,  
Minneapolis, Minn.

Illinois sends fraternal greetings to Supreme Lodge. We are giving Supreme Chancellor Davis an increase of thirty-five hundred members for the year. Will be with Billy Ladew with as many more next year.

E. T. GUTHRIE, G. C.

AL DOUGLASS, G. K. R. S.

**HOURS OF RECESS THIS DAY.**

On motion of Supreme Representative Ward, of Minnesota, it was ordered "That the Supreme Lodge take recess at 1:00 o'clock p. m., this day, and reconvene at 9:00 o'clock a. m., Friday, August 13th.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS.**

Supreme Representative Ward, of Minnesota, on behalf of the local Biennial Convention Association, made the following announcements:

1—"The Hennepin County Bar Association will entertain at luncheon the lawyer members of the Supreme Lodge on Saturday, August 14th, at 12:30 p. m."

2—"Privileges of the Athletic Club and Minneapolis Club extended to all members of the Supreme Lodge, as per cards delivered at convention hall. Any member of the Supreme Lodge not receiving such card will please report that fact to me."

**"THE" SUPREME BEING.**

The following proposition was presented, passed on first and second reading, and referred to the Committee on Judiciary:

**Document 78.**

A proposition to amend the Supreme constitution and Supreme statutes to change phraseology.

WHEREAS, It is universally agreed among lexicographers that there is, and can be, but one "Supreme" Being; and

WHEREAS, In the Supreme constitution and statutes, and upon blank application forms for membership in the order by initiation, the words "Su-

preme Being" are always preceded by the indefinite article "A," thereby belittling Deity and destroying the signification of the word "Supreme."

*Be it enacted*, That the constitution and statutes of the Supreme Lodge be and hereby are corrected by striking out the indefinite article "A" before the words "Supreme Being" wherever it occurs, and by inserting in place thereof the definite article "The"; and be it

*Further enacted*, That this correction shall appear hereafter upon all application forms for membership in the order, upon all literature emanating from the Supreme Lodge, and in the next and all subsequent editions of the constitution and statutes.

FREDERICK S. ATTWOOD, S. P.

(For report of committee on this document, recommending its rejection, see document 209; for final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting report and rejecting the proposition, see proceedings of the seventh day.)

### GREETINGS BY PYTHIAN SISTERS.

The Supreme Inner Guard announced that a committee from the Supreme Temple Pythian Sisters was in waiting.

The Supreme Chancellor thereupon requested the special committee, appointed to visit the Supreme Temple, to present the ladies to the Supreme Lodge, which duty was performed, and Supreme Representative Harber of Missouri introduced:

Past Supreme Chief, Mrs. W. A. Dilworth, of Nebraska.

Supreme Mistress of Finance, Mrs. M. H. Boylan, of Minnesota.

Past Supreme Manager, Mrs. Lyda Palmer, of New York.

The visiting committee was welcomed by the Supreme Chancellor, and each lady, as introduced, responded in a very happy and eloquent manner, conveying to the Supreme Lodge the greetings and best wishes of the Supreme Temple.

The Supreme Chancellor responded on behalf of the Supreme Lodge, and the ladies retired with their escort amidst the hearty acclamations of the Supreme Lodge.

### MRS. DILWORTH'S ADDRESS.

Brother Knights: The Pythian Sisters extend you once again our heartfelt greetings and well wishes. We cannot but feel the greatest pride in your work, not only as members of this grand order, but also as individuals. You have demonstrated that our order stands for the betterment of mankind. For this many of the brothers are not with us now, but have passed on to fitting reward. They offered and gave their lives that those who remain and those yet to come might have a better world in which to live. It is for you and us to make every effort that their sacrifice was not in vain.

We have with us many of our order who sacrificed their welfare, health and bodies in the same cause. It is your duty and ours, and should be a pleasure, to show by words and acts that we recognize and appreciate what they have done and lost for us. Their well-being is our charge now, and we assure you that the Sisters will gladly assist you in every way in performing this service.

Now, Brother Knights, while your services and help were needed and called for in the great emergency through which we have just passed, we know you will not forget or overlook the fact that your aid is still needed, possibly greater now than ever before.

Force has been defeated. It is yours and ours to show that brotherly love was worth what it has cost, and that the world can be governed by brotherly love far better than by the use of the sword. Demonstrate in your daily life, each and every hour of it, and your example will speedily show the world that our order had a right to be created and a right to exist and continue.

Needless to say, Brother Knights, we are with you in this, as we have always been in the past. May your efforts prevail for the good of all mankind, is our prayer.

"The work of the world is done by a few.  
God asks that a part be done by you.  
Our lives will be told by the light we shed  
On those who follow where we lead,  
And our years to be measured by what is said  
On the soul's worn page, which the Judge will read."

### EFFICIENCY SYSTEM FOR LODGES.

The appended resolution and communication was offered, read and adopted, and the subject matter of the accompanying communication was referred to the special committee suggested in the resolution:

#### Document 79.

WHEREAS, There is need for immediate constructive work along lines of efficiency in the Pythian world, and

WHEREAS, The domain of California has already prepared a constructive efficiency system and program for use of subordinate lodges in said domain;

*Therefore be it resolved*, That this California program of efficiency, which is attached hereto and made a part of this resolution, shall be referred to a special committee of five, for such alterations and changes as shall be necessary and advantageous for the establishment of a complete constructive efficiency system and program for the use of all subordinate lodges of the Supreme domain, and that said committee make report at this convention.

ROBERT G. LOUCKS, *Cal.*  
RENO S. HARP, *Md.*  
HENRY A. HEINRICHS, *N. J.*  
ELIJAH C. HART, *Cal.*  
JOSEPH C. BROWN, *Cal.*

(The "California program" follows herewith. For report of committee on this document, recommending that a portion of the subject matter contained in the communication be referred to the Committee on Pythian Education, see document 208; for final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting the report, see proceedings of the seventh day.)

### EFFICIENCY;

#### OR HOW TO MAKE

### PYTHIANISM DOMINANT

#### *A Constructive*

#### *"Get Together—Work Together—Win Together"* *System for Subordinate Lodges*

### OBJECTS OF EFFICIENCY

This report deals with work of the grand chancellor, for the upbuilding of our subordinate lodges, along lines of Pythian efficiency; that efficiency which requires a positive force and power, and abhors a nega-



tive or neutral quantity; that efficiency which is constructive, never destructive; that efficiency which eliminates the careless and negligent one, and substitutes therefor the careful, studious and energetic Pythian; not a mere "red-tape" efficiency, but a "red-blood" efficiency; an efficiency which makes a time for work, and a time for play; an efficiency which will make a greater mental man, a greater moral man, a greater physical man, and a greater fraternal man, individually, as well as a greater lodge, collectively, for all human activity; an efficiency which will make each lodge an essential and indispensable part of the life of every normal man, also indispensable to the life of the community, state and nation, and make a greater patriot and citizen for both times of peace and war; an efficiency which will make our order pre-eminent for Pythianism, Patriotism and Democracy, and make our order predominant and a world power of first magnitude for good.

### BASIC PRINCIPLES OF EFFICIENCY

Pythian Efficiency is based upon principles which govern all our lives, as follows:

1. "Your future in the lodge (as elsewhere) is what you make it," the full realization of which will so arouse all drones, "wall-flowers" and those who say, "Let Bill do it," that every Pythian will do his full part.
2. "Man's individual responsibility to his God" (likewise to Man-kind), Daniel Webster said is the most important question we have to solve.
3. There is no standing still in this world, individually, fraternally or nationally. We go forward or backward; we progress or retrogress.
4. The life of man demands frequent hours of fraternal sociability and enjoyment, as well as that which builds up the serious side of his nature.
5. A large weekly attendance, is the key to lodge success.
6. The world needs Pythianism now as never before, which can be advanced only through us.

Brother Fred E. Wheaton, S. K. R. S., in his excellent article entitled, "Think, Brother, Think!", hit the nail when he said:

"Here's the fruit of earnest effort: *If the Order of Knights of Pythias were to systematically teach the doctrine of PERSONAL EFFICIENCY, and the members of the Order were to systematically practice this doctrine, the value of their services and the value of their influence would be immeasurably increased.* If you want this Order to attain to its highest stature, commit the italic portion of this paragraph to memory, and then make it your shibboleth, your rule of action."

The purpose of this report is not only to make general observation, but to point out defects and give remedies therefor, that is, to "systematically" present a complete, constructive, Efficiency System, which it is believed will lay a foundation for every phase of subordinate lodge work, making it practical and easy of application, which system or systems may be classified and divided into the following subjects of headings:

Enemies of Pythian Progress; Efficiency on Ritual; Efficiency on "5 Standing Committees"; Efficiency on "Convention District System"; Efficiency on "Efficiency and Membership Contest" System; Efficiency on Laws; Efficiency on Lodge Business; Efficiency on Finance; Efficiency on Attractive Lodge Rooms, Club Rooms, Leasing and Ownership Systems; and Efficiency on Visiting and Care of Sick and Disabled Brothers, and their dependents.

No one thing is a panacea, a cure-all. All the above subjects must be observed and mastered to obtain strong, substantial growth and progress.

Of necessity, this system must leave it to the officers and members of each individual lodge to make such use and application from the following subjects as are necessary for the building up of that particular lodge.

## PART I: ENEMIES OF PYTHIAN PROGRESS

Before considering remedies, it is necessary to observe the enemies and obstacles which must be overcome by efficiency, for our greater progress, which chief enemies may be classed as follows:

*First Enemy: The So-Called "Financial Question"*

The average man can afford to be a member of at least one or two fraternal organizations, but the average man belongs to more, which often results in his paying to these several orders monthly dues aggregating a considerable part of his income, which some find difficult to pay. To avoid this, he must discriminate more closely between the numerous existing orders, and determine that he will forever cling to Pythianism as one of the few with which he will steadfastly remain, and be consistently active and loyal to its cause,—and then if financial embarrassment shall temporarily overcome him, every lodge would gladly keep him in good standing, as many now do, so that it may be said of all our members, "Once a Pythian, Always a Pythian."

A mixture of good Business Judgment and Fidelity to our Order will surely kill this enemy.

*Second Enemy: Rampant Commercialism*

The transient chase of the dollar to an extent is necessary, but let us diligently, as earnestly and as strenuously, seek the permanent, the richer, the nobler, things of life. Those things which give what money cannot buy, and which the pursuit of property and wealth often deprives us of.

"Who steals my purse steals trash: 'tis something, nothing;  
'Twas mine, 'tis his, and has been slave to thousands;  
But he that filches from me my good name  
Robs me of that which not enriches him,  
And makes me poor indeed."

This enemy can be overwhelmed by making these realize that the greatest success and the most beneficial legacy comes to him who combines Pythianism with his daily work and business, as shown in our ritual.

*Third Enemy: Trashy and Vulgar Entertainments*

Strong enemies in the form of trashy and vulgar entertainments and diversions have largely become a substitute for that which is legitimate, inspiring and elevating, to the detriment of the public mind, as well as to our Order, in keeping our members away from lodge conventions.

These enemies can be routed by wholesome counter-attractions, by having more sociability and more entertainment, as hereafter outlined, because these are within the power of every lodge to give.

*Fourth Enemy: Those Who Want to Receive Without Giving*

Some join the lodge merely for what they can *get* out of it, not for what they can *put* into it. In all avenues and capacities of life, a rule as set, fixed and inexorable as is the law of gravity, is that we must *give* before we can *receive*, as in a bank, for we cannot draw from the bank unless we have first placed an equal or greater amount therein.

"Give the world the best you have, and the best will come back to you."  
"The glory of life is to love, not to be loved; to give, not to get; to serve, not to be served."

To defeat this enemy, which always wants to receive gifts but never desires to bestow blessings for the favors received, let the lodges provide opportunities and ways and means, as hereafter suggested, by and through which all shall have the opportunity to be givers, as well as receivers, of Friendship.

*Fifth Enemy: The Monster "Indifference"*

"Among all the obstacles to progress, the indifference of the people is the greatest."

The above enemies are weak when compared to the Monster "Indifference." This creature more than all others baffles our greatest Pythians, strikes terror every six months at the heart of every lodge, and produces a perennial, semi-annual night-mare, in the deadly form of suspensions for non-payment of dues.

Entirely too many of our officers and members have placed themselves within the iron jaws of this Monster. These have become prisoners of apathy, unconcern and sluggishness, and made themselves slaves of thoughtlessness, omission, negligence and failure, to the great detriment of themselves and the Order by permitting themselves and this Monster to become bars to our greater progress, which block and thwart movements for the greater efficiency, uplift and betterment of our Order and the human race.

*\*Sixth Enemy: The Submarine "Inefficiency"*

The outgrowth of indifference, selfishness, and the above related enemies, leads only to inefficiency.

Efficiency is the torpedo-boat destroyer of the Submarine "Inefficiency," and demands the following equipment: Promptness, care, accuracy, time, work, skill, qualification, interest, attention, thought, study, knowledge, energy, power, spirit, friendship, concentration, conservation, system, effectiveness and accomplishment,—which will annihilate ALL Enemies.

## PART II: EFFICIENCY ON RITUAL

*1. Mastery of Ritual*

The dignity and majesty of our Order demands that we study and master the ritual. No Pythian or personal success can be attained without a thorough knowledge of this matchless document or its principles.

*2. Keep Rituals Locked in Box*

Keep rituals locked in box, off the stations and out of sight, except when being used merely for study. It is as impossible to make our work effective and impressive by reading from the ritual, as it would be disastrous to see an actor or opera singer attempting to read his part.

*3. Duty of Officers*

It is imperative that all officers should memorize their parts of the ritual, as follows: That portion relative to the duties of his station; the opening and closing ceremonies; and for conferring the ranks.

*4. Examination of Officers Before Installation*

Lodge Deputies are obligated to examine and qualify all newly elected officers before installation.

Officers not efficient in their work have no confidence in themselves. Therefore, how can they then expect the members to have confidence in them? We have one annual chance to qualify officers, only one, and that is before their installation. If your lodge deputy permits their installation, before qualification, it works an injury to them and to your lodge and leaves them inefficient and ineffective.

### 5. *Officers Qualification Plan*

Require the C. C., V. C., and Prelate to occasionally alternate their stations in conferring the ranks. This will give your future officers more time and better opportunity in which to qualify, and will also test them out as to their efficiency, before election and before advancement.

### 6. *Conferring the Ranks*

First impressions are lasting. Our Rank Teams have unlimited opportunity to properly impress the candidate. With dignity, impressiveness and strength, we should so drive into him the lessons that they will remain with him through life. If we fail in making these first impressions lasting, we fall short of our duty and obligation and prepare him for suspension.

### 7. *Master of the Work*

Your duties herein "are of magnitude and importance." "You should, therefore, thoroughly familiarize yourself with the work of each rank, so that the ceremonies may be conducted *impressively* and with *dispatch*."

### 8. *Examination of Candidates*

The mandatory requirements of our Supreme Statutes, are as follows:

1. Secret Work and Obligations: Appoint a Committee of Three to instruct candidates in the secret work and obligations before and for advancement. Read Sec. 210, S. S.

2. Candidates shall pass a satisfactory examination thereon, in open lodge, conducted by the Chairman of the Committee. Read Sec. 211, S. S.

3. Pythian Catechism: Candidates shall also pass a satisfactory examination in open lodge upon the "Pythian Catechism," conducted by the Chancellor Commander. Read Sec. 211A, S. S.

These laws suggest observance of the following Rules:

- a. Have candidates speak out clearly and distinctly in open lodge, so all present may hear and judge of his qualifications for advancement. Make this occasion impressive by strict preservation of order.

- b. To avoid embarrassing candidates who are not qualified to advance, the Committee and Chancellor Commander should not present him for such examination until they have tested him and found him fully qualified for advancement.

- c. Take more time to thoroughly qualify candidates, by conferring the ranks at stated periods, not too frequently.

- d. Do not confer two ranks upon same candidate at one convention.

- e. We have one and only one good opportunity to qualify candidates, and that is before their advancement from rank to rank. If we disregard these laws and duties we do not confer any "favors" on them, but on the contrary we work a positive injury to them and the Order, and prepare them for suspension.

### 9. *Methods for Study of Ritual*

We must study, we must memorize, if we start life's success and receive benefit from the inspiring and helpful lines of our gorgeous ritual. Systematic study may be pursued, as follows:

1. By all members,—on regular convention night, conducted by your deputy or other competent person.

2. By having classes,—at stated periods, to meet in lodge room, convention or other night.

3. By the members individually.

4. By having the C. C. preserve strict order and attention, so that all may follow the ritualistic parts, while officers and candidates are delivering, and when teams are conferring the ranks.



5. By witnessing the ritualistic work of other lodges. This always gives new thoughts, new pictures, in this ever developing mastery of ritual, as no two persons give it alike.

6. By drilling two or more teams in each lodge; having contests between them and with teams of other lodges.

#### 10. *Pythian Educational Features*

For the education, instruction and enjoyment of ourselves and others, the following features are offered us:

1. "The Lesson of Friendship," "Pythian Oberammergau," by Leroy H. Kelsey, authorized by Supreme Lodge, only male parts, 50 minutes, is one piece of heavy Pythian artillery, and is the only play possessed by any fraternity. Every lodge should have a team, or at least one team for every convention district, to present this magnificent dramatic lesson, which works like magic on audiences, and may be presented to your members, neighboring lodges, wives, prospects and the public.

2. Damon and Pythias Photo-Play,—original five-reel film, approved by Supreme Lodge officers.

3. Tableaus in Page Rank, are used to splendid advantage.

4. Damon and Pythias "Drama," by John Banim, all male and female parts, 2¼ hours, is one of the best plays written.

5. "Pythian Knighthood," by Gen. James R. Carnahan, 1892.

6. "History of Knights of Pythias," by Capt. Hugh G. Webb.

7. "Jewels of Pythian Knighthood," collection of "jewels of thought in prose and poetry," by John Van Valkenburg, P. S. C.

8. "The Story of Damon and Pythias," by Terhune.

9. Booklets, issued by the Supreme Lodge. Secure same for members and prospects from Fred E. Wheaton, S. K. R. S., Minneapolis, Minn.

10. To get the purest nuggets which lie beneath the surface of our ritual, to fuller understand both Pythianism and our ritual, we must dig into the ancient history of our great characters Pythagoras and his philosophy, Damon, Pythias, Dionysius, the mediaeval chivalry and knighthood, read histories of our Order and our Book of Law, and resort to the poets and philosophers for the principles and duties of knighthood and mankind, some of which take us back several thousand years before Christ,—all for the full meaning of the wondrous words, Friendship, Charity and Benevolence.

11. Encourage frequent short talks, by giving members good opportunity to discuss the above subjects. Also use as texts for talks the abundant jewel quotations found in our ritual.

12. Have addresses and lectures on above subjects delivered by our students and orators, and by the outside professions, for public occasions and for your lodge.

13. Inaugurate weekly debates, by coining the questions one or more months in advance.

### PART III. EFFICIENCY ON "5 STANDING COMMITTEES"

Among other necessary Committees, each lodge should appoint and keep active the 5 *Standing (Permanent) Committees*, or their equivalent, as follows:

1. *Sociability and Entertainment.*
2. *Visitation, with other lodges.*
3. *Membership.*
4. *Publicity.*
5. *Pythian Sisters.*

The purpose of these 5 Committees is to give method, system, responsibility, and power to act; to make all your conventions more interesting and entertaining by having "something doing" every week, in addition to the monotonous grind of regular business; and to prevent suspensions which every day confront you, and secure desirable new members.

Cast your eyes on prosperous lodges and you will observe that these prosper largely in proportion as they work the subjects of the above 5 Committees.

### *I. Sociability and Entertainment Committee*

"All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy."

This Committee of One could use the material in his own lodge, and also secure that of other lodges, and even get talent from those not members of our Order, so that at every convention there will be "something doing"; 10 minutes of relaxation; something different, new, interesting, enjoyable, entertaining, instructive, fraternal and elevating; frequent stag affairs, smokers, games, whist, musical and literary programs; frequent service of sandwiches, wienies, soft drinks; occasional banquet and dance; clean anecdotes and stories, as there is no wit, wisdom nor decency in a story which is vulgar; short talks and debates on all interesting, instructive and live subjects, always avoiding personalities, religious and political discussions; talks to dignify, at appropriate times, our patriots and patriotic days, our anniversary, legal holidays and holiday seasons; annual picnic, ball and minstrel show; clean athletics, field events, the national game, and tournaments,—are among the 1001 ways that are open to an active, wide-awake committee.

Also, *each lodge* should have at least one *lodge social specialty*. One lodge could concentrate on music, orchestra, band, or soloists; another on a joy club; another on small minstrel team; others on wholesome stories, monologues, dialogues, short plays, comedies, side-degrees, short and long talks, addresses, lectures, rank work, "The Lesson of Friendship," in addition to the above subjects and those above set out in "Pythian Educational Features," Part II, 10. Then these specialists could visit the nearby lodges, and not only create a great interest, but encourage more visitations among the lodges.

### *2. Visitation With Other Lodge Committees*

"Visitation, the cream of life."

A few of the great advantages of visiting other lodges are the following:

- a. It creates a greater interest in each lodge, and keeps all out of the rut and grind of routine work.
- b. Visiting develops good cheer, and brings out the best sides of all.
- c. Visiting offers splendid opportunity to hold the old as well as to secure new friends, for as Samuel Johnson said, "We must keep our friendships in constant repair."
- d. In studying the ritual we learn more from observation, listening to other lodges give the work, than from our own individual efforts, and we get this largely through visitation.
- e. List of Honorary Members: Honor brothers of other lodges who render you service or frequently visit you, by putting them on this list. This will broaden the fraternal feeling, without creating any financial liability.

### 3. *Membership Committee*

"Wise were the kings," etc.

We want numbers, but "quality first."

The splendid opportunities and duties of this committee are:

a. Retention of Members: Look after the "stay-at-home" members, and by various means at your command induce them to attend lodge oftener, so as to keep up their interest and prevent suspensions. Personally visit them at their places of business and their homes. The system that retains your members will likewise secure new members, therefore retention of your membership is of first importance.

b. Securing New Members: Acquire new members, new life, new blood. We natural persons partake of food each day to give us new strength, new life and blood for the morrow's work. It is just as essential that your lodge should continually secure new blood, because we are getting older each day, passing off one by one, and others must take our places or the organization will die.

c. The Membership Committee should so co-operate with the Sociability and Entertainment Committee that when there is given an open or public meeting or event, the Membership Committee will then have present good prospects and secure new members and re-instatements therefrom, and thus make substantial gains from every such event, and the initiation and other fees received therefrom should at least equal the amount expended for each event.

If your lodge is efficient on the subjects herein, candidates themselves will then voluntarily seek admission, otherwise you will have to solicit or urge their joining to secure them.

### 4. *Publicity Committee*

"Publicity is the fourth estate of the realm."

If this world power, publicity, including the press, were taken from our civilization, we would degenerate again to the savage.

This Committee of One should prepare and have published all the important news of your lodge:

a. In the press of your city or town: If the Pythian standard and name are not heralded and well known in your locality, how can you expect to prosper, or to retain or secure new members? *Get one or more newspaper men into your lodge* and on this committee. Then have "something doing" so he will gladly boost it and your lodge.

b. In the numerous Pythian papers: Excellent papers which will publish your news gratis, but it is impossible for them to have reporters all over the domain, so without an efficient Publicity Committee your lodge will not have a regular monthly letter.

c. Monthly Calendar, Bulletin or Paper: This is indispensable to give notice to your members of all coming weekly and monthly events, local and important news. Mail it to all your members.

### 5. *Pythian Sisters Committee*

"In union there is strength."

Help organize Temples, give them needed financial support, including your membership, in return for their many acts of assistance and kindness. It is necessary to occasionally invite our Sisters to join with us in open session, to learn of our Order, and enjoy occasions of sociability and entertainment. Wives have a right to know something of the general purposes of our Order and the great work

we are engaged in. This important branch of our Order is the only one which has not membership in the subordinate lodges, wherefore this committee.

#### 6. *All Committees "Work Together" Plan*

For greater efficiency and stronger executive work, permit these recommendations for the following "cabinet" or "executive" plan:

1. That *each Committee* shall consist of *One Committeeman* only; that he be given full power to act, except as you may limit him to expenditures, if any; that he be empowered to appoint such aids and assistants and such sub-committees as he deems necessary, and to remove any of same and fill vacancies.

2. It is indispensable that the above 5 Committees shall "meet together," organize, "plan together" and "work together" on all events and programs, and that they "meet together" and do their work, before lodge, each convention night.

3. The 5 Committeemen should arouse themselves to the importance of all the subjects of the 5 Committees, and deliberately plan to accomplish something through every event for the upbuilding of your lodge, in addition to merely having an enjoyable evening for your members, and thus through the same event, the same effort and work, achieve something from all the subjects of the 5 Committees.

4. The Chancellor Commander, your chief executive, should act as Chairman of the 5 Committees, and have them meet together and work together. If he cannot supervise this work, then appoint a Chairman from the committees or outside, and also appoint a Secretary.

5. *Alternate Plan:* A good alternate plan may be adopted by creating for all the above purposes a Committee of One, to be known as the "Welfare Committee" or "Progress Committee," which Committee of One shall have power to appoint all the above 5 Committees and such aids, assistants and such sub-committees therefor as he deems necessary, and to remove any of same and fill vacancies, also give him full power to act, except as you may limit him to expenditures, if any. This will give him power for accomplishment, and hold him responsible therefor. It is essential that this Committee of One shall keep active and working all the subjects of the 5 Committees.

6. The Chancellor Commander should always have a list of all lodge Committees, and call upon the Chairman of each Committee, for a report, each convention night, under "Reports of Committees," and whether or not they have matters to report, this will stimulate their activity.

7. The Chancellor Commander should talk, phone and counsel with all Committees and Officers each week, between lodge conventions, so as to advise, encourage, assist, and keep them actively working during the week.

### PART IV: EFFICIENCY ON "CONVENTION DISTRICT SYSTEM"

The Convention District System will accomplish for the several lodges of each convention district, on a much larger scale, the same general class of work as set forth above for the five Standing Committees.



No lodge can live entirely to and for itself alone, more than can an individual. To grow it must affiliate with other lodges for the bigger spirit, the "broader vision." Brother Fred E. Wheaton, S. K. R. S., in his booklet entitled "Think, Brother, Think!" said:

"Forget, brother knight, that you belong to a lodge only, and remember that you must do your duty to the whole order, otherwise you have failed in the performance of your obligation. *Lodge membership, as such is local citizenship only*—your duty and obligation is that of a Knight of Pythias, order-wide, universal."

This subject and that of the 5 Committees are founded on Supreme Chancellor Brown's Slogan, "Get Together—Work Together—Win Together," the most practical and beneficial slogan ever given Pythianism, because without this co-operative action success is an impossibility, whether in baseball, business, the army or navy, or among our lodges.

The Convention District System brings our lodges together, for bigger affairs, beyond the power of any one lodge to accomplish, by combining all the lodges of each convention district for joint, co-operative, "Get Together—Work Together—Win Together" action, and is based upon the principle that where there are several lodges in a certain city or section that these several lodges are jointly and together responsible for the general welfare of Pythianism in that city or section.

#### PART V: EFFICIENCY ON "EFFICIENCY AND MEMBERSHIP CONTEST" SYSTEM

The purpose of this system is to increase efficiency on the several subjects relating to officers and membership.

This system reaches every accessible and available member of your lodge, and places him on one team or the other, so that all will be workers. It organizes your lodge for strong aggressive action, and gives concentration of effort.

*Alternate System:* Each member securing one or more new members, shall be entitled to a seat of honor and free ticket to a banquet, or be given an official button, a prize, subscription to a Pythian paper, or other token by the lodge. Likewise, the candidates will be guests of honor, all others pay for their plates, if it be a banquet. This small cost to the lodge comes out of the initiation fees, and is a judicious investment.

#### PART VI: EFFICIENCY ON LAWS

Everything is governed by law. It is essential also in fraternities. If your officers do not know what the law is, will they know *how* to perform their respective duties? To be efficient, all officers and lodge deputy G. Cs. must know all the laws relating to their respective offices and stations, especially the C. C., K. R. S. and lodge deputy, which duties are found in the Grand Law, Supreme Law, Ritual, By-Laws, Installation Service and Roberts Rules of Order.

Specially important is it that your K. R. S., C. C. and M. of F. understand all laws relative to membership, including the issuance and deposit of transfer and other cards, suspension certificates, suspensions and re-instatements, to thus avoid delay and save members often lost through this inefficiency, also for greater accuracy and promptness in making all reports.

Avoid unnecessary or quibbling technicalities which embarrass our membership, as injurious to the harmony and welfare of your lodge and as a disastrous waste of time. Use technicalities only where necessary or where some greater good will come therefrom.

To be equipped for immediate and safe legal reference, each lodge should not only have on hand the latest editions of the Grand Law and Supreme Law, but have all amendments and new sections noted to date therein.

## PART VII: EFFICIENCY ON LODGE BUSINESS

### *"Awful Waste of Time"*

Supreme Representative Robert F. Burns hit true when he said that "The most disastrous and distressing thing in all lodge business is the awful waste of time unnecessarily consumed by our subordinate lodges." This inefficiency produces long drawn-out conventions which are seldom productive of harmony, keeps your members out unnecessarily late, kills your lodge interest and attendance, fosters suspensions, and positively forbids time and opportunity for the indispensable work of the 5 Standing Committees set out in Part III hereof. Avoid this awful waste of time as you would the smallpox.

### *Remedies:*

Make time and opportunity each convention night for the work of the 5 Committees, by getting through your lodge business and work as quickly as efficiency will permit, by adopting these Rules:

1. Open lodge promptly on time.
2. Get through all lodge business in 30 minutes.
3. Close your lodge not later than 10 o'clock, including one rank and sociability.
4. To accomplish this efficiency, *require your C. C., K. R. S. and M. of F. by by-law amendment or resolution, to meet together weekly, at least 30 minutes before convention hour*, and then go over details of all communications, business, membership matters and work for the evening, so that they will have all of same worked out, by understanding what is desired and how to accomplish it and by looking up the law, and thus they will be prepared to present all these matters to your lodge for its quick and efficient action.
5. Require your K. R. S. to systematize and keep classified all lodge communications and business under appropriate headings, such as "Official Communications," "Communications and Notices," "Unfinished Business," "New Business," "Finished Business," "List of Committees," and for such other matters as are suggested by the Order of Business.
6. Lodge should furnish its K. R. S. with adequate equipment, including desk and filing system.
7. Your C. C., before each convention, should secure from the K. R. S. a memoranda of all lodge communications, business and committees for the evening's work, classified as above, and use same to omit nothing.
8. The C. C. and K. R. S. should keep all communications and business on the desk of K. R. S. weekly, and bring before your lodge weekly, until finally disposed of, to avoid delay, negligence and the "pigeon-hole."
9. Efficiency requires your K. R. S., M. of F. and M. of Ex. to make and keep prompt, accurate, clear, full and complete Records of all their transactions, for your immediate and future reference, and systematize and methodize all records and books.
10. Require all Officers and lodge Deputy (other than those mentioned in Rule 4 above) to be at lodge room from 15 to 30 minutes before

convention hour, each week, to prepare their work for the evening and help receive the early arrivals.

11. Require all Committees to meet at lodge room from 15 to 30 minutes prior to convention hour, each week, to enable them to decide and agree upon their Reports, and thus prepare them to present Reports promptly and clearly to your lodge for a "yes" or "no" vote, to prevent an "awful waste of time."

12. All Officers and Committees to make and deliver prompt, accurate, clear, full and complete Reports, as required by the lodge and Grand Lodge.

13. For all Officers and Committees choose the right man for the right place, as each has his strong point. Qualifications and fitness come First.

14. If Officers or Committees cannot act or serve efficiently it is their duty to resign at once, or secure their removal.

15. *Chancellor Commander:* You are both the Chief Executive and Presiding Officer of your lodge, and largely responsible for its welfare. Your most important duties are "executive," because "Upon you will devolve the government and direction" of your lodge, and not a mere "presiding officer" to only sit in the chair two hours a week, and you shall also exercise "a general supervision of the other officers of the lodge." You are in effect the "president of a corporation," the officers and committees similar to "directors," and the members "stockholders," of the "corporation."

Your duties also include the following: To initiate measures, to keep interest going and have "something doing" continually; to keep yourself and all officers and committees active and working during the week; make a time for work and a time for play; feature "10 Minutes of Relaxation" each convention, in which to get away from the serious, by having one or two members prepared to give, at the opportune time, something humorous, interesting and enjoyable; make work for young Pythians and all members through committees, etc., and keep them active, or their interest and presence will be elsewhere; encourage all who would desire, especially the young members, to speak upon the floor without embarrassment or criticism; preserve strict order and decorum, and prevent whisperings and walking around room, for dignity and efficiency; eliminate personalities and all that tends to discord; quash quibbling technicalities; make brief features of and simplify the "Order of Business," and where reference to committee is not necessary, dispose of same on first presentation, to avoid useless reading or handling two or more times.

16. *Keeper of Records and Seal:* The K. R. S. has duties similar to the "secretary of a corporation." Efficiency also requires him to be prompt and accurate in clearly presenting and fully answering all Correspondence; to constantly keep on hand all necessary supplies, including Membership Cards, Suspension Certificates and lodge stationery; to send out Notices and Communications which are original, new, with snap and vim, not stereotyped, as a great Publicity agency; to send attractive Notices to your "stay at home" members, inviting them to attend conventions; to keep up to date a complete "List of Members" with addresses, new addresses and phone numbers, for officers and committees, and hang one copy on wall of lodge room. The M. of F. should assist on this, by giving new addresses to the K. R. S.; to immediately send Notice of Removal of your members with names and new addresses, to the Grand K. R. S.; secure latest editions of Grand Law and Supreme Law with all amendments to date, and have all amendments and new sections noted therein; see that all candidates are properly notified and make appearance for the ranks, unless otherwise ordered; on receiving visits from mem-

bers of other lodges, send their lodge a letter of appreciation. It encourages Visitation.

17. *Deputy Grand Chancellor*: The Deputy G. C. is the personal representative of the Grand Chancellor for each lodge.

18. *C. C., K. R. S. and M. of F.* should work in perfect accord and unison with committees on all matters pertaining to the financial affairs of the lodge, and those concerning the personal necessities and financial condition of the members.

19. *Vice-Chancellor* acts as C. C. in absence of the C. C. Therefore, he should be generally informed on all lodge business and work, so as to be able any time to assume the station of C. C., without neglect or delay of important matters.

20. *Past Chancellors*: "It too often happens that, when brothers have enjoyed the honors of the Order, they lose their interest and neglect their duties."

21. Honor all efficient Past Chancellors by presenting them with a Past Chancellor's Jewel.

22. *Personal Contact*: Give the Warm Hand of "Welcome!" to all your members and visiting brothers each convention, beginning with the O. G., then I. G., and then later during the evening by special order. This produces Harmony and a strong friendly and fraternal spirit.

23. On the street as well as in the lodge room say "Hello," and greet one another as "Brother."

24. Say to Absent Brothers: "We had an enjoyable (or excellent) time last convention and missed you." This shows interest in them and increases your attendance.

25. Visit all brothers at their places of business and at their homes, including those who do not attend lodge regularly.

26. Make all brothers of other lodges feel at home.

27. Invite brothers from other domains who are suspended by the hundred, to affiliate with your lodge, and thus save their membership.

28. Secure Lodge Album or Frame for the photographs of older and young members.

29. Study Pythianism; Talk Pythianism; Live Pythianism.

It has been demonstrated that the above suggestions will keep our healthy brothers strong and cheerful, and build up any lodge.

## PART VIII: EFFICIENCY ON FINANCE

"Fraternity in all things fraternal; business methods in all business matters."

1. *Master of Finance*: "Upon you, next to the Chancellor Commander, depends the material prosperity of your lodge." Through inefficient Masters of Finance many members are suspended annually. Your duties also require you to be in close, intimate, financial touch with the membership; collect dues at least 6 months in advance; permit none to become more than 3 months in arrears; send frequent notices and make personal visits to collect dues; give all new addresses of members weekly to K. R. S.; attend lodge 30 minutes before convention hour, to collect dues from early arrivals, issue receipts and get financial and membership matters and books in shape for the evening's work and for your report; send the Grand K. R. S. the names and addresses of your members suspended and those likely to be suspended, and he will, as in the past, send these official communications and thus assist you regain and hold your membership. You must be a good collector, energetic, and have time for this work. Where necessary, the lodge should provide you with an assistant, and it is good business policy for the lodge to adequately compensate therefor, especially on those delinquent 6 months and over.



2. *Lodge Funds*: Business methods require the lodges to have at least the four following funds: Reserve Fund; Sick and Death Benefit Fund, where such benefits exist; Sociability Fund; and General Fund.

What is the percentage relationship between your dues and your benefits?—yet this average is fixed and determined.

What is the percentage relationship between your dues and your regular monthly expenses? Are your monthly dues adequate for the last three above funds? If not, your lodge is not on a sound financial basis.

All initiation and other fees and interest from investments should go only to the *Reserve Fund*, a “nest-egg,” which every efficient lodge must have for occasions of emergency, to replenish all other funds, and which also should be used for the equipment, leasing or ownership of lodge rooms or castles, and for securing new members when necessary.

3. *\$25.00 Rank Fees*: Establish Rank Fees of at least \$25.00 by by-law amendment, until Grand Lodge acts. As compared with other great fraternities, our membership fees are unreasonably and ridiculously low.

## PART IX: EFFICIENCY ON ATTRACTIVE LODGE ROOMS, CLUB ROOMS, LEASING AND OWNERSHIP SYSTEMS

1. *Attractive Lodge Rooms*: The universal demand is that all lodge rooms shall be convenient, modern, attractive, home-like, and kept up to date.

2. *Club Rooms*: Club Rooms have become a necessity for our membership, to provide a “meet together” place for chats, friendly games and for many other attractions which may be added.

3. *Leasing System*: The leasing system has not the financial risk attached to ownership, and frequently requires no investment, except for furniture.

The leasing system is briefly as follows: Secure a long term (about 10 years) exclusive lease, with right to sublet and with stated monthly rental; have the owner improve the property as per your architect's plans, at his expense; sublet the lodge room to desirable tenants, but reserve club rooms exclusively for your use. If there is local opportunity for such, and you select a good location and building and have a modern, well-equipped lodge room, the rents received from your sub-tenants should more than pay your rentals and produce a surplus.

4. *Ownership System*: The reserve fund (Part VIII, par. 2) is the key to all improvements, which, with the above leasing system and judicious investment, will ultimately give us that which all desire, ownership of Pythian castles and homes for our lodges.

## PART X: EFFICIENCY ON VISITING AND CARE OF SICK AND DISABLED BROTHERS, AND THEIR DEPENDENTS

1. *Visiting Committee*: At least one visit a day will be made each sick or disabled brother. This service brings “a glow to the cheek, a sparkle to the eye, and hope to the heart,” and welds perpetual friendship.

The Visiting Committee should also thoroughly investigate conditions and necessities of every “Knight or family of a Knight in distress,” provide for their necessities, counsel hereon with the M. of F., K. R. S. and C. C., and make weekly reports thereon to the

C. C. before lodge convenes, so he will make brief, summary report to lodge. The chancellor commander and Visiting Committee should so systematize these reports for that truest charity, which will "Let not thy left hand know what thy right hand doeth."

2. *Financial Distress*: Oftentimes the most valuable service we can render those in financial distress is to remove the cause thereof, by securing them suitable employment, as contemplated by the question: "Does any brother know of employment for an unemployed brother?"

Our lodges and Bureaus of Relief are guided by the highest impulse in the care of brothers and their dependents.

#### *Memorial Day*

*Plan and make Memorial Day a permanent, annual event, for June of each year, as specified by Sec. 380, S. S., in sacred memory of our departed brothers, in assurance that they did not live in vain, upon which occasion to recall their virtues, that we the living may profit from their splendid examples, as we answer the call of earthly responsibility and thus more successfully carry our burdens as we journey the pathway of life.*

#### *"Stars and Stripes" and Pythian Banner Day*

*Make the 4th of July an annual Pythian affair, in honor of "Old Glory" and our Pythian "Tri-Color," and thus create a greater Patriotism and Pythianism for both times of peace and war.*

#### *Pythian Anniversary*

*Observe annually our Anniversary or Birthday, during the week of February 19th. This may be made a city or town occasion of special interest, because the birthdays of Washington and Lincoln come also in February.*

#### *Flag Ceremony*

The Flag Ceremony, as prescribed by Section 180, Supreme Statutes (1916 Amendment), is made impressive by the master at arms and the "color guard" of two members.

Some lodges appropriately direct that all who enter lodge after the ceremony, shall in silence salute the flag at the altar, immediately after giving the sign of courtesy.

### **HISTORICAL PHOTOGRAPHS.**

The appended resolution was offered, read, and referred to the Committee on State of the Order:

#### **Document 80.**

WHEREAS, The Order of Knights of Pythias was founded in the city of Washington, D. C., on February 19, 1864; and

WHEREAS, Many members have not been favored with an opportunity to see the building in which the first lodge was instituted, nor photographs of the original five members; and

WHEREAS, The representatives from the District of Columbia have placed on view at the station of the Supreme Chancellor a photogravure embodying these features, including a copy of the minutes of the meeting of the first lodge; therefore,

*Be it resolved*, that the Supreme Lodge indorse the request of the domain of the District of Columbia that the historical data contained in the photographure is authentic and historically correct.

ALBERT KAHLERT, *D. C.*  
JOHN B. DICKMAN, *D. C.*  
EDWARD DUNN, *P. S. C.*

(For report of committee on this document, recommending that the Supreme Lodge authorize the sale of copies thereof, see document 187; for final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting report, see proceedings of the sixth day, evening session.)

### NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS IN WASHINGTON.

The appended resolution was offered, read, and referred to the Committee on State of the Order:

#### Document 81.

WHEREAS, The City of Washington, D. C., is the birthplace of our beloved order and as such would be the headquarters for all branches of the order; and

WHEREAS, The Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias is, practically speaking, without a home of its own; therefore,

*Be it resolved by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias*, That a special committee of five (5) be appointed to ascertain the cost of acquiring a suitable site in the city of Washington, D. C., for the purpose of the erection of a suitable building thereon; the commemoration of the birthplace of the order of Knights of Pythias, and that the said temple be the home of the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias; said committee to report at the next convention of the Supreme Lodge.

ALBERT KAHLERT, *D. C.*  
JOHN B. DICKMAN, *D. C.*  
EDWARD DUNN, *P. S. C.*

(For report of committee on this document, recommending its rejection, see document 242; report adopted by Supreme Lodge on presentation.)

### WAR RELIEF FUND.

The appended resolution was offered, read, and ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### Document 82.

*Be it resolved by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias*, That the Pythian War Relief Commission be and it is hereby instructed to return to the respective grand domains all moneys paid by them to and for the Pythian War Relief Fund, less such proportion thereof as may have been expended by such commission in furtherance of its war relief work.

BENJ. F. BLEDSOE, *Cal.*  
ELIJAH C. HART, *Cal.*  
ROBERT G. LOUCKS, *Cal.*  
JOSEPH C. BROWN, *Cal.*

(The subject matter of this document is embraced in the resolution contained in document 218, which resolution was adopted.)

### BENEFIT CERTIFICATES, \$250.

The following proposition was presented, passed on first and second reading, and referred to the Committee on Insurance Department:

**Document 83.**

A proposition to amend part i, division vii, chapter vi, section 489, entitled "Classes, Membership, Members' Obligations and Rights."

*Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias*, That part i, division vii, chapter vi, section 489, of the Supreme statutes be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

The board is hereby authorized to issue benefit certificates in the fifth class and to provide for the payment of same, said certificates to be in the sum of \$250, or any multiple thereof not exceeding \$5,000, upon any one member, and to be issued only upon approved applications from persons eligible to membership in the fifth class of the insurance department. The form of application for membership in the fifth class and the form of report of medical examination to accompany same, and the form of benefit certificate in the fifth class and on the several plans therein shall be prescribed by the board, and may be changed from time to time as it may deem wise. Every condition or contract made in the fifth class shall be written or printed in or upon the benefit certificate, except those contained in the application, medical examination, and in the laws in force at the date of such certificate, or that may be subsequently enacted by the Supreme Lodge. In cases where the aggregate amount applied for is not in excess of \$250, the member shall pay the fee for medical examination, and the certificate shall be only issued in plan "A" and the payments shall be due and payable six months in advance.

The following table represents gross rates covering the amount of both mortuary and expense elements, and the rates are on two hundred fifty dollars of insurance and payable six months in advance. In the case of members following occupations or employments graded as hazardous or extra hazardous, they shall pay, in addition to the amount required under the table, the amount required by reason of such grading:

| <i>Age</i> | <i>Amount</i> | <i>Age</i> | <i>Amount</i> |
|------------|---------------|------------|---------------|
| 18.....    | \$2.05        | 40.....    | \$3.45        |
| 19.....    | 2.05          | 41.....    | 3.60          |
| 20.....    | 2.10          | 42.....    | 3.75          |
| 21.....    | 2.10          | 43.....    | 3.90          |
| 22.....    | 2.20          | 44.....    | 4.05          |
| 23.....    | 2.25          | 45.....    | 4.20          |
| 24.....    | 2.25          | 46.....    | 4.35          |
| 25.....    | 2.35          | 47.....    | 4.50          |
| 26.....    | 2.40          | 48.....    | 4.75          |
| 27.....    | 2.40          | 49.....    | 4.95          |
| 28.....    | 2.50          | 50.....    | 5.25          |
| 29.....    | 2.55          | 51.....    | 5.40          |
| 30.....    | 2.65          | 52.....    | 5.65          |
| 31.....    | 2.70          | 53.....    | 5.85          |
| 32.....    | 2.80          | 54.....    | 6.15          |
| 33.....    | 2.85          | 55.....    | 6.40          |
| 34.....    | 2.95          | 56.....    | 6.70          |
| 35.....    | 3.00          | 56.....    | 6.70          |
| 36.....    | 3.10          | 57.....    | 7.00          |
| 37.....    | 3.15          | 58.....    | 7.35          |
| 38.....    | 3.25          | 59.....    | 7.75          |
| 39.....    | 3.40          | 60.....    | 8.10          |

EDWARD C. PLUMMER, *Me.*

(For report of committee on this document, recommending its adoption, see document 145; for final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting report and passing the proposition on third reading, see proceedings of the sixth day, morning session.)

**REPORT OF CERTIFIED ACCOUNTANT.**

The appended resolution was offered and adopted:

**Document 84.**

WHEREAS, Pursuant to statute, the Supreme Chancellor has caused the books, records and accounts of the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal and



the Supreme Master of Exchequer to be duly audited by certified public accountants, and they have submitted their reports; therefore,

*Be it resolved*, That the reports of said accountants be printed in the Supreme Lodge Official Record and omitted from the Daily Journal.

CHAS. J. DECKMAN, *Ohio*.

### WAR RELIEF FUND.

The appended resolution was offered, read, and ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### Document 85.

*Be it resolved by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias*, That the War Relief Fund, now in possession of the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias, be refunded to the several grand domains contributing thereto, in proportion to the amount contributed.

This resolution offered by direction of the Grand Lodge Knights of Pythias of Wisconsin.

RICHARD S. WITTE, *Wis.*

RICHARD I. WARNER, *Wis.*

JOSEPH SCHROEDER, *Wis.*

(The subject matter of this document is embraced in the resolution contained in document 218, which resolution was adopted.)

### ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The time having arrived for the special order of business—election of Supreme Lodge officers—that matter was taken up. Supreme Representative Kline, of Pennsylvania, in the chair.

#### SUPREME CHANCELLOR.

Supreme Chancellor Davis nominated Supreme Vice Chancellor William Ladew.

Supreme Representative Harber, of Missouri, seconded the nomination and moved "that the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal cast the unanimous vote of the Supreme Lodge for the nominee," which motion prevailed, the vote was so cast, and William Ladew of the grand domain of New York was declared constitutionally and unanimously elected Supreme Chancellor for the ensuing biennial term.

The Supreme Chancellor-elect addressed the Supreme Lodge, expressing his heartfelt appreciation for the honor conferred and assuring the order of his utmost efforts in advancing its interests.

#### SUPREME VICE CHANCELLOR.

Supreme Chancellor Davis in the chair.

Supreme Representative Brunt, of Oklahoma, nominated Supreme Representative Frank E. Duncan, of Oklahoma.

Supreme Representative Fox, of Virginia, nominated Supreme Representative George C. Cabell, of Virginia.

Supreme Representative Welcker, of Massachusetts, nominated Supreme Representative John Ballantyne, of Massachusetts.

Supreme Representative Warner, of Wisconsin, asked that the privilege of the floor be extended to Past Grand Chancellor Samuel B. Montgomery, of West Virginia, which privilege was granted, and Past Grand Chancellor Montgomery nominated Supreme Representative John P. Arbenz, of West Virginia.

The nomination of Supreme Representative Cabell was seconded by Supreme Representatives Williamson, of Illinois; Harber, of Missouri; Stein, of Mississippi; Warner, of Wisconsin; Bledsoe, of California; Pollard, of Kentucky; Kahlert, of District of Columbia; Allen, of Nebraska; Lumpkin, of South Carolina; Ward, of Minnesota; Kline, of Pennsylvania; Williams, of New Mexico; and the Supreme Master at Arms.

The nomination of Supreme Representative Duncan was seconded by Supreme Representative Grant, of Oregon.

The nomination of Supreme Representative Ballantyne was seconded by Supreme Representatives Plummer, of Maine; Woodworth, of Massachusetts; Baxter, of Montana; and Wilson, of Ontario.

The Supreme Chancellor announced the appointment of the following Supreme Representatives to serve as tellers:

Supreme Representative Southwick, *South Dakota*.

Supreme Representative Brantley, *Georgia*.

Supreme Representative Connally, *Texas*.

A ballot was taken, resulting as follows:

|                                |    |
|--------------------------------|----|
| George C. Cabell received..... | 69 |
| Frank E. Duncan received.....  | 51 |
| John Ballantyne received.....  | 31 |
| John P. Arbenz received.....   | 9  |

No choice.

A second ballot was ordered and taken, resulting as follows:

|                                |    |
|--------------------------------|----|
| George C. Cabell received..... | 87 |
| Frank E. Duncan received.....  | 47 |
| John Ballantyne received.....  | 21 |
| John P. Arbenz received.....   | 5  |

Supreme Representative Arbenz moved that the election of Supreme Representative Cabell be made unanimous, which motion was seconded by Supreme Representatives Duncan and Ballantyne, and prevailed unanimously.

Thereupon Supreme Representative George C. Cabell, of the grand domain of Virginia, was declared constitutionally and unanimously elected Supreme Vice Chancellor for the ensuing biennial term.

The Supreme Vice Chancellor-elect addressed the Supreme Lodge in a brief, but eloquent manner, thanking the body for the honor conferred and pledging the best of his ability to the service of the order.

#### SUPREME PRELATE.

Supreme Representative Plummer, of Maine, nominated the present incumbent, Rev. Fred S. Attwood, of Minnesota, to succeed himself.

Supreme Representatives from Massachusetts, Wisconsin, and Georgia seconded the nomination.

No other nominations being made, Supreme Representative Crites, of Missouri, moved that the nominations close, and that the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal be instructed to cast the unanimous vote of the Supreme Lodge for the nominee, which motion prevailed, the vote was so cast, and Fred S. Attwood, of Minnesota, was declared constitutionally and unanimously elected Supreme Prelate for the ensuing biennial term.

#### SUPREME KEEPER OF RECORDS AND SEAL.

Supreme Representative Wharton, of Minnesota, nominated the present incumbent, Fred E. Wheaton. The nomination was seconded by Supreme Representative Bledsoe, of California, who moved that nominations close, and that the Supreme Master of Exchequer cast the unanimous vote of the Supreme Lodge for Fred E. Wheaton as Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal. The motion prevailed, the vote was so cast, and Fred E. Wheaton was declared constitutionally and unanimously elected Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal for the ensuing biennial term.

#### SUPREME MASTER OF EXCHEQUER.

Supreme Representative Willson, of North Carolina, nominated the present incumbent, Thomas D. Meares. Supreme Representative Edens, of Illinois, seconded the nomination, moved that the nominations close, and that the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal cast the unanimous vote of the Supreme Lodge for the nominee.

Supreme Representative Kline, of Pennsylvania, protested that the honor of casting the vote had previously been conferred upon him, and requested the same privilege at this time, whereupon the motion was changed to permit Supreme Representative Kline to cast the vote. The motion prevailed, the vote was so cast, and Thomas D. Meares was declared constitutionally and unanimously elected Supreme Master of Exchequer for the ensuing biennial term.

## SUPREME MASTER AT ARMS.

Supreme Representative Grant, of Oregon, nominated Supreme Representative James H. Gwinn, of Oregon.

Supreme Representative Ritchie, of Maritime Provinces, nominated Supreme Representative William A. Stewart, of Maritime Provinces.

The nomination of Supreme Representative Gwinn was seconded by Supreme Representatives Williamson of Illinois, and Agatz of Washington.

The nomination of Supreme Representative Stewart was seconded by Supreme Representative Conybeare, of Alberta, and Supreme Master at Arms McArthur.

One ballot was taken, resulting as follows:

|                       |    |
|-----------------------|----|
| Gwinn received.....   | 96 |
| Stewart received..... | 63 |

Supreme Representative Stewart, of Maritime Provinces, moved "that the election of Supreme Representative Gwinn be made unanimous." The motion prevailed, and Supreme Representative Gwinn, of Oregon, was declared constitutionally and unanimously elected Supreme Master at Arms for the ensuing biennial term.

## SUPREME INNER GUARD.

Supreme Representative Vaughn, of Illinois, nominated the present incumbent, Douglas S. Wright, of Mississippi.

Supreme Representative Williams, of New Mexico, seconded the nomination, moved that the nominations close, and that the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal cast the unanimous vote of the Supreme Lodge for Douglas S. Wright as Supreme Inner Guard.

The motion prevailed, the vote was so cast, and Douglas S. Wright was declared constitutionally and unanimously elected Supreme Inner Guard for the ensuing biennial term.

## SUPREME OUTER GUARD.

Supreme Representative Kline, of Pennsylvania, nominated the present incumbent, Henry M. Wadsworth, of Pennsylvania.

Supreme Representative Salinger, of Iowa, seconded the nomination.

Supreme Representative Beckford, of New Hampshire, seconded the nomination, moved that nominations close, that the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal cast the unanimous vote of the Supreme Lodge for Henry M. Wadsworth for Supreme Outer Guard.



The motion prevailed, the vote was so cast, and Henry M. Wadsworth was declared constitutionally and unanimously elected Supreme Outer Guard for the ensuing biennial term.

#### DEATH OF MRS. HAMPTON.

Supreme Representative Hawkins, of Michigan, reported the death of Mrs. Will E. Hampton, wife of the grand keeper of records and seal of Michigan, and moved "that an expression of sympathy be sent to Brother Hampton from this body," which motion unanimously prevailed, and the following message was sent:

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN., August 12, 1920.

WILL E. HAMPTON, G. K. R. S., Charlevoix, Michigan.

I am directed by the Supreme Lodge to convey to you and your loved ones our sincere and deep sympathy in the great bereavement that has darkened your home and household. Please be assured that the shadow that has come into your life has brought sorrow to your many friends in the convention.

FRED E. WHEATON, S. K. R. S.

#### RECESS.

The Supreme Lodge took recess until 9:00 o'clock a. m., Friday, August 13th.

## FOURTH DAY

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### MORNING SESSION

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The Supreme Lodge was called to order Friday, August 13, at 9:00 a. m., by Supreme Chancellor Charles S. Davis.

The roll was called, and Supreme Lodge officers, Past Supreme Chancellors and Supreme Representatives were found to be present as under:

CHARLES S. DAVIS, *Supreme Chancellor.*

WILLIAM LADEW, *Supreme Vice Chancellor.*

FREDERICK S. ATTWOOD, *Supreme Prelate.*

FRED E. WHEATON, *Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal.*

THOMAS D. MEARES, *Supreme Master of Exchequer.*

FRED J. G. MCARTHUR, *Supreme Master at Arms.*

DOUGLAS S. WRIGHT, *Supreme Inner Guard.*

HENRY M. WADSWORTH, *Supreme Outer Guard.*

*Past Supreme Chancellors*—JOHN J. BROWN, HENRY P. BROWN, THOMAS J. CARLING, PHILIP T. COLGROVE, EDWARD DUNN, BRIG S. YOUNG.

*Supreme Representatives*—AGATZ, ALLEN, ANDERSON, ARBENZ, BALLANTYNE, BALLREICH, BAXTER, BEANS, BECKFORD, BELL, BINNS, BLEDSOE, BOESE, BOWERS, BRANTLEY, BRISTOW, BROENING, BROKAW, BROWN, BRUNT, BUCK, CABELL, CAIRNS, CONGER, CONNALLY, CONYBEARE, CRIST, CRITES, CROUCH, DARLAND, DICKINSON, DICKMAN, DINNIE, DOYNE, DUNCAN, DYE, EDENS, ELLIS, ELTZ, ERWIN, FORBES, FOX, FROST, GATES, GILMAN, GRANT, GROSSMAN, GUILD, GWINN, GYLES, HAMPTON, HARBER, HARP, HARRIS, HART, HAWKINS, HEINRICHS, HELLER, HERREID, HILLER, HUNTER, HUTCHISON, JONES, KAHLERT, KELSEY, KENDALL, KERNS, KIMBALL, KING, KLINE, KNIGHT, LEWIS, LOFTIN, LOUCKS, LUMPKIN, MCCOY, MCCREARY, MCCUISH, McMILLEN, MACDONALD, MACGREGOR, MACINTYRE, MAXWELL, MEID, MENDELSON, MERRILL, MIDDLETON, MILAM, MOORE, MORRISON, MUIR, NEWBURY, NUZUM, O'CONNOR, OTWELL, PATTERSON, PERDUE, PLUMMER, POLLARD, PRIEST, PUTNAM, QUICK, RANDOLPH, REEVE, REMY, RICHARDSON, RITCHIE, SALINGER, SCHOBERTH, SCHREIBER, SCHROEDER, SCHUCHARDT, SHARPE, SIMAN, SIMPSON, SOUTHWICK, STEESE, STEIN, STEVENSON, STEWART (M. P.), STEWART (Tenn.), STOUT, STRATTON, TAYLOR, THOMPSON, TOWERS, VAUGHN, VOGEL, WARD, WARNER, WEILAND, WEIR, WELCKER, WEST, WHARTON, WHITFIELD, WILLIAMS (Kans.), WILLIAMS, (N. M.), WILLIAMSON, WILSON (Nev.), WILLSON (N. C.), WILSON (Ont.), WINN, WOEHRLE, WOODWORTH, WORMWOOD.

**JOURNAL APPROVED.**

The Daily Journal of the third day was corrected in a few minor particulars, and on motion of Supreme Representative Woodworth, of Massachusetts, was "approved as corrected and printed."

**ELECTION RESUMED.**

The regular order, election of officers, was taken up:

**MEMBERS OF BOARD OF CONTROL.**

Supreme Representative Loftin, of Florida, nominated William R. O'Neal, of Florida, to succeed himself.

Supreme Representative Williams, of Kansas, nominated William J. Duval, of Kansas, to succeed himself.

Supreme Representative Connally, of Texas, nominated Raymond H. Buck, of Texas.

The nomination of Past Supreme Representative William R. O'Neal, of Florida, was seconded by Past Supreme Chancellor John J. Brown, Supreme Representatives Stratton, of Tennessee, and Deckman, of Ohio.

The nomination of Past Supreme Representative William J. Duval, of Kansas, was seconded by Past Supreme Chancellor Colgrove, Supreme Representatives Harber, of Missouri, Hart, of California, Woodworth, of Massachusetts, Schoberth, of Kentucky, Plummer, of Maine, and Hutchison, of Pennsylvania.

The nomination of Supreme Representative Raymond H. Buck was seconded by Supreme Representatives Erwin, of Louisiana and Hawkins, of Michigan.

The Supreme Chancellor appointed Supreme Representative J. Edward Richardson, of Maryland, as teller, in place of Supreme Representative Thomas T. Connally.

A ballot was taken resulting as follows:

|                                 |     |
|---------------------------------|-----|
| William R. O'Neal received..... | 121 |
| William J. Duval received.....  | 92  |
| Raymond H. Buck received.....   | 101 |

Supreme Representative Williams, of Kansas, moved that the election of Supreme Representative Buck and Past Supreme Representative O'Neal be made unanimous, which motion prevailed, and Past Supreme Representative William R. O'Neal, of Florida, and Supreme Representative Raymond H. Buck, of Texas, were declared constitutionally elected members of the board of control for the ensuing term of six years.

**ALLOWANCE TO MRS. VANDERVEER.**

The Committee on Finance submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

**Document 86.**

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred document 43, relative to an appropriation for Mrs. Mary B. Vanderveer, would respectfully submit the following report:

We recommend the same do pass.

CHARLES J. DECKMAN, *Acting Chairman.*

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting report and the resolution contained in document 43, see proceedings of the fifth day, morning session.)

**MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS—S. C. REPORT.**

The Committee on Finance submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

**Document 87.**

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred so much of the Supreme Chancellor's report as relates to Security Bonds, Biennial Auditing, Additional Allowance to Miss Rathbone, Pythian Educational Committee and Supreme Lodge Relief Fund, would respectfully submit the following report:

We most heartily concur in the approval by the Supreme Chancellor of the bonded officers of the Supreme Lodge.

We also approve of the request and action on the matter of the biennial auditing of the accounts of the financial officers of the Supreme Lodge. We give our approval of the action of the Supreme Chancellor in the increased allowance of twenty-five dollars per month for the relief and support of Miss L. S. S. Rathbone and commend his action therein. We herewith express our approval and appreciation of the business methods employed by the Pythian Educational Committee as disclosed in the report of the Supreme Chancellor, and his reference to the Pythian Educational Fund and as well the careful, conscientious promptness with which expenditures and accounting have been made of the Supreme Lodge Relief Fund.

All of which received our warmest commendation.

CHARLES J. DECKMAN, *Acting Chairman.*

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report, see proceedings of the fifth day, morning session.)

**MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS—S. K. R. S. REPORT.**

The Committee on Finance submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

**Document 88.**

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred so much of the report of the S. K. of R. and S., relating to appropriations and expenditures, official supplies and sales, Rathbone Bible classes, Pythian Education, and statutes must be reprinted, would respectfully submit the following report:

The appropriations and expenditures have been made in a complete and business-like manner and merits the commendation of your committee and the Supreme Lodge. The official supplies and sales, as shown by the official report, have produced a record of which any business or fraternal institution



may feel justly proud, and which has produced a very substantial revenue for the maintenance of the expenses of the order. The Rathbone Bible classes have been an inspiration and wonderful incentive in the upbuilding and advancement of our order; and this sacred, historic Bible is cherished by all who witness its use in our ceremonies.

The report of the Pythian Educational Fund shows care and prudence in its use, and demonstrates the care with which this trust has been administered; and the necessity for the reprinting of our statutes, we believe to be imperative, and we recommend the same be done at the earliest practical period following the close of this 1920 convention.

CHARLES J. DECKMAN, *Acting Chairman*.

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report, see proceedings of the fifth day, morning session.)

### ¶ AUTHORITY TO SELL BONDS.

The appended resolution was offered, read, and referred to the Committee on Judiciary:

#### Document 89.

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

At a regular meeting of the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias, a corporation duly incorporated by an Act of Congress of the United States, held in the City of Minneapolis, on the 10th day of August, 1920, it was, upon motion,

*Resolved*, That Thos. D. Meares, Supreme Master of Exchequer, an officer of said Supreme Lodge, be and he is hereby empowered to sell and assign any and all United States Registered Bonds or Registered Bonds of any description which are transferable on the books of the Treasury Department now standing, or which may hereafter stand in the name of this corporation, and to appoint one or more attorneys for that purpose.

THOS. D. MEARES, *S. M. E.*

¶(For report of committee on this document, recommending its adoption, see document 195; for final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting report and adopting the resolution, see proceedings of the sixth day, evening session.)

### SPECIAL ORDER—1922 CONVENTION. •

The time having arrived for the consideration of the special order—"selecting a place for holding the Supreme Lodge convention of 1922"—that matter was taken up.

The special committee submitted the appended report:

#### Document 90.

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your special committee appointed to consider invitations for the place of holding the convention of 1922, would respectfully submit the following report:

The undersigned special committee appointed to consider invitations for the next place of meeting of the Supreme Lodge, beg leave to make the following report:

That, pursuant to announcement, your committee met at 7 o'clock at room 402, Curtis Hotel.

Invitations from the following cities were received and considered:

San Francisco—By communication from the San Francisco Convention and Tourist League.

Atlantic City—By communication from the Atlantic City Publicity Bureau.

San Diego, Cal.—By communication from the various lodges and from the Chamber of Commerce, of San Diego.

Chicago—By communication from the Chicago Association of Commerce.

Indianapolis—By invitation from the mayor of Indianapolis, the Indianapolis Chamber of Commerce, the grand chancellor of Indiana, and in person by Supreme Representatives Remy and Priest of Indiana, who extended the invitation to include the uniform rank.

Salt Lake City—In person by Supreme Representatives Randolph and Meid, and telegrams from the governor, grand chancellor, and commerce organizations.

After making comparison of pay-rolls for the last five biennial conventions, showing the mileage cost thereof, as follows: Portland, \$49,146; Denver, \$22,241; Winnipeg, \$23,183; Detroit, \$18,346; San Francisco (for year 1902), \$36,618; and taking into consideration the probability that transportation costs will be increased approximately 50 per cent prior to the 1922 convention, as well as considering the benefit to the order universal, your committee would recommend that the next convention of the Supreme Lodge be held in the City of Salt Lake.

PHILIP T. COLGROVE,  
RENO S. HARP,  
CHARLES A. BALLREICH,  
RICHARD S. WITTE,  
*Committee.*

Past Supreme Chancellor Colgrove moved that the report of the committee be adopted.

Supreme Representative Ballantyne, of Massachusetts, moved to substitute "San Francisco" for "Salt Lake City."

On motion of Supreme Representative Vaughn, of Illinois, the report of the committee was laid on the table.

Supreme Representative Williams, of Kansas, moved that San Diego, California, be selected as the place to hold the 1922 convention.

Supreme Representative Broening, of Maryland, moved to amend the motion by substituting "San Francisco" for "San Diego," which motion prevailed, and the motion as amended was adopted, whereupon the Supreme Chancellor declared San Francisco selected as the place for holding the convention of 1922.

#### "CHARLIE" DECKMAN ILL.

Supreme Representative Woodworth, of Massachusetts, announced that Supreme Representative Deckman, of Ohio, was seriously ill, and asked to be excused that he might attend him in a professional way, whereupon the Supreme Chancellor directed that Supreme Representative Woodworth be excused from attendance at this session.

On motion of the Supreme Master at Arms, it was ordered "that flowers be sent to Mrs. Deckman, with an appropriate expression of sympathy from the Supreme Lodge."

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS.**

Supreme Representative Ward, of Minnesota, on behalf of the local Biennial Convention Association made the following announcements:

1. That on Saturday, August 14, at 12 o'clock noon, a committee from the Hennepin County Bar Association would meet the members of the Supreme Lodge, connected with the legal profession, at the entrance of the convention hall, to escort them to the banquet given by the Association.

2. That baseball games at Nicollet Park, Minneapolis, and Lexington Park, St. Paul, would be played on Saturday, August 14, commencing at 3 o'clock p. m.; local teams competing with visiting teams of the American Association.

#### **SESSION PROLONGED.**

On motion the Supreme Lodge decided to remain in session until 2 o'clock p. m. today, and then recess until 9 o'clock a. m., Saturday, August 14.

#### **SPECIAL ORDER CONTINUED.**

At the request of Supreme Representative Harp, of Maryland, the special order on "Pythian Expansion" was postponed until called up by request.

#### **AULD LANG SYNE.**

The Supreme Master of Exchequer, referring to old times and associations, presented to Supreme Representative Kline, of Pennsylvania, a Confederate ten dollar certificate, whereupon Supreme Representative Kline responded with considerable feeling to "memories of the long ago."

#### **SPECIAL REQUEST GRANTED.**

Supreme Representative Loucks, of California, requested, and was granted, permission to introduce a resolution on August 14, notwithstanding the special rule.

#### **JUSTICE HART EXCUSED.**

Supreme Representative Hart, of California, announced that official duties required his immediate return home. He was excused from attendance after this day.

#### **S. C. MAY CORRECT REPORT.**

Supreme Representative Vaughn, of Illinois, called attention to a mis-statement in relation to the Haverly matter contained

in the report of the Supreme Chancellor; and, on motion, "the Supreme Chancellor was given permission to correct the error."

### MILEAGE, 10 CENTS.

The Committee on Finance submitted the appended report:

#### Document 91.

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Finance to which was referred document 20, on a proposition to increase mileage from  $6\frac{1}{4}$  cents to 10 cents, would respectfully submit the following report:

We recommend the same do not pass.

CHARLES J. DECKMAN, *Acting Chairman.*

Supreme Representative Brantley, of Georgia, moved "that the report be adopted."

Supreme Representative Lumpkin, of South Carolina, moved "that document 20 be substituted for the report of the committee," which motion prevailed.

Supreme Representative Moore, of Pennsylvania, moved "that the proposition contained in document 20 be amended by substituting *eight and a quarter cents* for *ten cents*," which motion prevailed.

Supreme Representative Lumpkin, of South Carolina, moved that document 20 be amended by adding at the end thereof the following words: "Provided, that this proposition shall take effect as of the date of August 1, 1920," which motion prevailed.

The proposition contained in document 20, amended as above, was passed on third reading by a standing vote.

### EXPENSES WAR RELIEF COMMISSION.

The Committee on Ways and Means submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### Document 92.

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Ways and Means to which was referred subject, "Decision of Supreme Tribunal" in Supreme Chancellor's report would respectfully submit the following report:

That the opinion of the Supreme Tribunal mentioned in the report of the Supreme Chancellor, holding that "the mere direction by statute of the funds from which an expense may be paid is not an appropriation of that fund to authorize the drawing or payment of exchequer orders," requires that an appropriation of money necessary to meet the expenses of the Pythian War Relief Commission be made, and we therefore recommend that the subject matter of this report be referred to the Finance Committee with instructions to include in the budget such amount as in their judgment would be necessary to defray the expenses of the Pythian War Relief Commission.

WILLIAM K. WHITFIELD, *Chairman.*

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report, see proceedings of the fifth day, morning session.)



### MEMBERS' CERTIFICATES.

The Committee on Insurance Department submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### Document 93.

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Insurance to which was referred document 62, to amend part i, division vii, chapter vi, section 491, of the Supreme statutes, would respectfully submit the following report:

That the same ought to pass as follows:

A proposition to amend part i, division vii, chapter vi, section 491, of the Supreme statutes, entitled, "Classes, Membership, Members' Obligations and Rights."

*Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias*, That part i, division vii, chapter vi, section 491, of the Supreme statutes be and the same is hereby amended by striking out clauses (b) and (c) thereof and by inserting in lieu thereof the following:

(b) Members whose certificates are issued upon plan "C" or the modified step-rate plan, shall make payments during the calendar year of their admission to membership on said plan at the rate applicable to their respective ages of entry, and they shall make payments during each succeeding calendar year of their membership at their respective attained ages. That is to say, members receiving certificates on said plan "C" whose respective age at date of admission is forty-three years, shall pay each month, respectively, during the calendar year of their admission to membership on said plan "C" the sum of \$1.35; and for each month during the next succeeding calendar year such members, respectively, shall pay \$1.40; and for each month during the next succeeding calendar year such members, respectively, shall pay \$1.45; and so on, for each succeeding calendar year thereafter they shall respectively pay a sum each month corresponding with said rate, according to the said table of rates for the age they will attain, respectively, during such calendar year, respectively; and thereafter, if they desire to retain membership in the insurance department, they shall upon furnishing a medical examination satisfactory to the board of control, be transferred to plan "A," surrendering their plan "C" certificates and receiving plan "A" certificates, and being rated at their attained ages; and, unless so transferred, their membership in the insurance department shall terminate upon said member attaining age sixty-five. By "attained" age in any year is meant the age the person has attained or will attain, on his birthday occurring during such calendar year.

(c) Members whose certificates are issued upon plan "D," or the level plan to age sixty-five, shall respectively make payment each month so long as they remain members of said plan "D," at the rate corresponding to their respective ages at date of their respective certificates, until such members attain the age of sixty-five years, respectively. Whenever a member of said plan "D" attains the age of sixty-five years, his certificate shall thereby cease to have any value or be of any effect, and payments under said certificate shall cease. Members of plan "D" attaining the age of sixty-five years, who may elect to do so, and who pass a medical examination satisfactory to the board of control, shall be transferred to plan "A," rated at attained age, and receive plan "A" certificates for so much insurance as they may transfer, and shall upon being transferred be treated as members of plan "A."

The medical examination referred to in this section shall not be required in the case of policies issued prior to the enactment of this amendment.

EDWARD C. PLUMMER, *Chairman.*

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report and passing the proposition on third reading, see proceedings of the fifth day, morning session.)

### CLASSIFICATION OF CERTIFICATES.

The Committee on Insurance Department submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### **Document 93a.**

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Insurance Department to which was referred document 63, a proposition to amend part i, division vii, chapter vi, section 499, Supreme statutes, would respectfully submit the following report:

The same ought to pass.

EDWARD C. PLUMMER, *Chairman.*

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report and passing the proposition contained in document 63 on third reading, see proceedings of the fifth day, morning session.)

### REGULATING LIABILITY ON DEATH.

The Committee on Insurance Department submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### **Document 94.**

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Insurance to which was referred document 64, to amend part i, division vii, chapter vi, section 508, of the Supreme statutes, would respectfully submit the following report:

The same ought to pass.

EDWARD C. PLUMMER, *Chairman.*

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report and passing the proposition contained in document 64 on third reading, see proceedings of the fifth day, morning session.)

### PROOF OF DEATH.

The Committee on Insurance Department submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### **Document 95.**

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Insurance to which was referred document 65, to amend part i, division vii, chapter vii, section 512, of the Supreme statutes, would respectfully submit the following report:

The same ought to pass.

EDWARD C. PLUMMER, *Chairman.*

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report and passing the proposition contained in document 65 on third reading, see proceedings of the fifth day, morning session.)

### EXPECTATION OF LIFE.

The Committee on Insurance Department submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### **Document 96.**

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Insurance to which was referred document 72, to amend part i, division vii, chapter viii, section 527, of the Supreme statutes, would respectfully submit the following report:

That the same ought to pass as follows:

A proposition to amend part i, division vii, chapter viii, section 527, of the Supreme statutes, entitled, "General and Miscellaneous Provisions."

*Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias*, That part i, division vii, chapter viii, of the Supreme statutes, be and the same is hereby amended,

By inserting in vertical column in the tables, under the word "Age" and "Expectation of Life, Number of Years," and immediately preceding "21" and "41.53" the following:

|         |       |
|---------|-------|
| 18..... | 43.53 |
| 19..... | 42.87 |
| 20..... | 42.20 |

EDWARD C. PLUMMER, *Chairman*.

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report and passing the proposition on third reading, see proceedings of the fifth day, morning session.)

### MEMBERS' PAYMENTS.

The Committee on Insurance Department submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### Document 97.

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Insurance to which was referred document 73, to amend part i, division vii, chapter vi, section 492, of the Supreme statutes, would respectfully submit the following report:

The same ought to pass.

EDWARD C. PLUMMER, *Chairman*.

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report and passing the proposition contained in document 73 on third reading, see proceedings of the fifth day, morning session.)

### READJUSTMENT OF AGES.

The Committee on Insurance Department submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### Document 98.

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Insurance to which was referred document 74, to amend part i, division vii, chapter i, section 404, Supreme statutes, would respectfully submit the following report:

The same ought to pass.

EDWARD C. PLUMMER, *Chairman*.

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report and passing the proposition contained in document 74 on third reading, see proceedings of the fifth day, morning session.)

### REDUCED-AGE RATES.

The Committee on Insurance Department submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### Document 99.

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Insurance, to which was referred document 75, to amend part i, division vii, chapter ii, section 434a, of Supreme statutes, would respectfully submit the following report:

The same ought to pass.

EDWARD C. PLUMMER, *Chairman*.

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report and passing the proposition contained in document 75 on third reading, see proceedings of the fifth day, morning session.)

### READJUSTMENT OF RATES.

The Committee on Insurance Department submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### Document 100.

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Insurance, to which was referred document 76, to amend part i, division vii, chapter vi, section 490(d), of Supreme statutes, would respectfully submit the following report:

The same ought to pass.

EDWARD C. PLUMMER, *Chairman.*

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report and passing the proposition contained in document 76 on third reading, see proceedings of the fifth day, morning session.)

### NEW INSURANCE—PLAN "H-A."

The Committee on Insurance Department submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### Document 101.

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Insurance, to which was referred document 77, to amend part i, division vii, chapter vi, section 492, of the Supreme statutes, would respectfully submit the following report:

The same ought to pass.

EDWARD C. PLUMMER, *Chairman.*

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report and passing the proposition contained in document 77 on third reading, see proceedings of the fifth day, morning session.)

### MAJOR GENERAL BY APPOINTMENT.

The following proposition was presented, passed on first and second reading, and referred to the Committee on Military Department:

#### Document 102.

A proposition to amend part ii, division vii, chapter iii, section 540, of the Supreme statutes, entitled "The Major General."

*Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias,* That part ii, division vii, chapter iii, section 540, of the Supreme statutes, be and the same is hereby amended.

The major general must be a member in good standing of a subordinate lodge, and of a company of the uniform rank. He shall be appointed by the Supreme Chancellor and confirmed by the Supreme Lodge. He shall devote his entire time to the upbuilding of the uniform rank. He shall be accountable to the Supreme Lodge for all the acts and doings of his office. He shall render at each biennial convention of the Supreme Lodge a detailed statement of the condition of the uniform rank. After confirmation as major general he shall be commissioned by the Supreme Chancellor for a term of two years, and shall retain his said office until his successor shall have been appointed and commissioned.



This enactment shall be operative from the time of the 1922 convention of the Supreme Lodge, at which time on the fourth day of the convention and on the fourth day of each succeeding biennial convention, the Supreme Chancellor shall appoint the major general of the uniform rank, and on his confirmation by the Supreme Lodge, the Supreme Chancellor shall issue to him a commission as major general for the term of two years, and until his successor is appointed and commissioned.

PHILIP T. COLGROVE, *P. S. C.*  
 JOHN H. MAXWELL, *Me.*  
 JOHN BALLANTYNE, *Mass.*  
 FRANK M. BECKFORD, *N. H.*  
 EDWARD STEPHEN O'CONNOR, *N. Y.*  
 JOHN H. CONGER, *N. J.*  
 WILLIAM D. QUICK, *N. J.*  
 VINCENT M. KING, *Conn.*  
 JACOB WOEHRLE, *Ohio.*  
 JOHN FORBES, *Wash.*  
 JOSEPH C. BROWN, *Cal.*  
 BENJ. MOORE, *Pa.*

(For report of committee on this document, recommending its adoption, see document 131; for final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting report and passing the proposition on third reading, see proceedings of the sixth day, morning session.)

### STRIKE OUT WORDS, "AND SEAL."

The following proposition was presented, passed on first and second reading, and referred to the Committee on Judiciary:

#### Document 103.

A proposition to amend article viii, section 3, of the Supreme constitution, entitled, "The Legislative Department."

*Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias,* That article viii, section 3, of the Supreme constitution, be and the same is hereby amended, by striking out the words "and Seal" where they appear in the fifth line of said section 3 and by striking out said words wherever they appear in the constitution and statutes; and

*Be it resolved,* That the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal be and is hereby authorized and directed to omit said words "and seal" in reprinting of the Supreme constitution and statutes, and wherever said words are used in lithograph forms or other documents.

RICHARD I. WARNER, *Wis.*  
 JOSEPH SCHROEDER, *Wis.*

(For report of committee on this document, recommending its rejection, see document 197; for final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting report and rejecting the proposition, see proceedings of the sixth day, evening session.)

### EXTRA COMPENSATION.

The Committee on Subdivision and Reference offered the following resolution, which was referred to the Committee on Finance:

#### Document 104.

*Be it resolved by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias,* That the Committee on Subdivision and Reference be allowed one extra day's attendance for Monday, August 9th.

JOSEPH J. CRITES, *Chairman.*

(For report of committee on this document, including the suggested extra compensation in the biennial budget, see document 217; for final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting report and passing the budget on third reading, see proceedings of the seventh day.)

### OVER-AGE DISPENSATION.

The following proposition was presented, passed on first and second reading, and referred to the Committee on Judiciary:

#### Document 105.

A proposition to amend part ii, division iii, chapter iv, section 195, paragraph c, of the Supreme statutes, entitled, "The Ranks of Knighthood."

*Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias,* That part ii, division iii, chapter iv, section 195, paragraph c, of the Supreme statutes, be and is hereby amended, so as to read as follows:

(c) He must not be less than eighteen years of age, except that grand lodges may legislate so as to require a dispensation for any applicants for initiation over the age of fifty years.

JAMES W. HUNTER, *Iowa.*  
CLEM. F. KIMBALL, *Iowa,*  
JOSEPH N. MCCOY, *Iowa.*  
BENJ. I. SALINGER, *Iowa.*

(For report of committee on this document, recommending its rejection, see document 198; for final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting report and rejecting the proposition, see proceedings of the sixth day, evening session.)

### CERTIFICATES FROM \$500 TO \$10,000.

The following proposition was presented, passed on first and second reading, and referred to the Committee on Insurance Department:

#### Document 106.

A proposition to amend part i, division vii, chapter vi, section 489, of the Supreme statutes, entitled, "Classes, Membership, Members' Obligations and Rights."

*Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias,* That part i, division vii, chapter vi, section 489, of the Supreme statutes, be and the same is hereby amended, to read as follows:

The board is hereby authorized to issue benefit certificates in the fifth class and to provide for the payment of same, said certificates to be in the sum of \$500, or any multiple thereof not exceeding \$10,000, upon any one member, and to be issued only upon approved applications from persons eligible to membership in the fifth class of the insurance department. The form of application for membership in the fifth class and the form of report of medical examination to accompany same, and the form of benefit certificate in the fifth class and on the several plans therein shall be prescribed by the board, and may be changed from time to time as it may deem wise. Every condition or contract made in the fifth class shall be written or printed in or upon the benefit certificate, except those contained in the application, medical examination, and in the laws in force at the date of such certificate, or that may be subsequently enacted by the Supreme Lodge.

MARCELLUS MCCREARY, *N. M.*  
HUGH H. WILLIAMS, *N. M.*

(For report of committee on this document, recommending its rejection, see document 147; for final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting report and rejecting the proposition, see proceedings of the sixth day, morning session.)

**"HOME LODGE" ENDORSED.**

The appended resolution was offered and referred to the Committee on State of the Order:

**Document 107.**

WHEREAS, The Pythian order annually sustains great losses in membership due to suspensions from one cause or another, many of these men remaining outside of the Pythian fold until past fifty years of age, and then too old to gain membership in lodges with benefit features because they are no longer rated an asset, but instead are considered a liability on the finances of the lodge; and

WHEREAS, The domain of the District of Columbia has reclaimed over seventy men who had fallen by the wayside and organized them into a lodge, known as Home Lodge No. 31. They hold monthly meetings, pay per capita, and are entitled to all the privileges of the order, adding one more star to the crown of Pythian lodges; and

WHEREAS, This work of reclaiming former members along the line of full fellowship in our beloved order evidences the fact that their love and respect for Pythianism still warms their hearts, and that they yearn to return to the fold if only the way were opened to them which the home lodge has done.

*Therefore, be it resolved,* That the Supreme Lodge appreciates the great possibilities of reclaiming many former members and again enroll them under the banner of Pythianism, hereby endorses the home lodge plan as above recited, with a favorable recommendation for its adoption by all grand domains under the jurisdiction of the Supreme Lodge.

JOHN B. DICKMAN, *D. C.*

ALBERT KAHLERT, *D. C.*

EDWARD DUNN, *P. S. C.*

(For report of committee on this document, recommending its adoption, see document 188; for final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting the report, see proceedings of the sixth day, evening session.)

**LIFE MEMBERSHIP CERTIFICATE.**

The appended resolution was offered and referred to the Committee on State of the Order:

**Document 108.**

WHEREAS, There is a demand for life membership certificates for subordinate lodge members, therefore,

*Be it resolved by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias,* That life memberships may be issued by subordinate lodges to its members, provided that the amount collected for such life memberships will produce not less than ten per cent (10%) more than the amount of the annual dues when placed at six per cent (6%), and such sum collected for life membership must be placed in trust at a rate of not less than six per cent (6%).

D. SIDNEY WOODWORTH, *Mass.*

FRANK A. PRIEST, *Ind.*

CHARLES F. REMY, *Ind.*

(For report of committee on this document, proposing a substitute, see document 228; for final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting report and referring the substitute resolution to the 1922 convention, see proceedings of the seventh day.)

**INSTALLING OFFICER TO COMMUNICATE S. A. P. W.**

The appended resolution was offered and referred to the Committee on State of the Order:

**Document 109.**

WHEREAS, No incompetency or failure on the part of an incoming chancellor commander should prevent his lodge from promptly receiving each new semi-annual password; and

WHEREAS, Under our present law no officer shall be installed until he is proficient in the ritualistic work of his position; and the semi-annual password can only be transmitted by the installing officer under our present law to the incoming chancellor commander;

*Therefore, be it resolved by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias,* That the Judiciary Committee be instructed to prepare and submit such legislation as will permit installing officers to transmit the semi-annual password to the sitting chancellor commander, if for any reason his successor has not qualified himself for installation.

LEROY H. KELSEY, *Mo.*  
EDGAR M. HARBER, *Mo.*  
FRANK B. HILLER, *Mo.*  
JOSEPH J. CRITES, *Mo.*

(For report of committee on this document, recommending its adoption, see document 189; for final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting report, see proceedings of the sixth day, evening session. See, also, proposition contained in document 235, which was adopted.)

**PAYMENT OF DUES.**

The following proposition was presented, passed on first and second reading, and referred to the Committee on Judiciary:

**Document 110.**

A proposition to amend part ii, division iii, chapter vi, sections 225 and 226, of the Supreme statutes, entitled, "Dues, Fines and Assessments."

*Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias,* That part ii, division iii, chapter vi, sections 225 and 226, of the Supreme statutes, be and the same is hereby amended.

225. Every member of the order of Knights of Pythias may be required to pay to his subordinate lodge fixed sums of money at regular and at the beginning of stated periods. The amounts so payable, and the dates of the lodge conventions when they shall become due, shall be determined by each subordinate lodge, subject to the enactments of its grand lodge and the Supreme Lodge. Such moneys shall be known as dues.

226. All dues shall begin from the date the candidate receives the rank of knight or of membership by card. If a member receive a transfer card, he shall be charged with dues for sixty days from the date of his application therefor; or if he apply for a withdrawal card, he shall be charged with dues pro rata up to the date of the granting of such card.

ROBERT M. DYE, *Wash.*  
JOHN FORBES, *Wash.*  
FRED W. AGATZ, *Wash.*

(For report of committee on this document, recommending its rejection, see document 189; for final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting report, see proceedings of the sixth day, evening session.)

**TO PROHIBIT DISPENSATIONS.**

The appended resolution was offered and referred to the Committee on Judiciary:



**Document 111.**

*Be it resolved by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias, That the Judiciary Committee be, and are hereby instructed to prepare and present such legislation as will repeal all existing laws requiring a subordinate lodge to ask for a dispensation for any of the purposes named in section eighty-seven (87) of the Supreme statutes, and to prepare and present such legislation as will prohibit grand lodges from requiring dispensation to be issued for any of the purposes named in said section 87.*

ROBERT M. DYE, *Wash.*  
FRED W. AGATZ, *Wash.*  
JOHN FORBES, *Wash.*

(For report of committee on this document, recommending its rejection, see document 200; for final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting report, see proceedings of the sixth day, evening session.)

**BENEVOLENT FUND--\$1.00 PER MEMBER.**

The appended resolution was offered and referred to the Committee on State of the Order:

**Document 112.**

*Be it resolved by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias, That the Supreme Lodge provide ways and means to annually place in a fund under the control of the Supreme Lodge at least one dollar per member for each and every member of the order, said fund and interest earned by the investment thereof to be used for the purpose of guaranteeing every member and his family against severe adversity and destitution, and rendering the order thereby financially strong, and thereby promote its influence and enhance its influence, and to enable the order to promptly fulfill its benevolent purposes, and to aid and encourage the building of castle halls and Pythian Homes throughout the Supreme domain, and respond to the calls of distress and stricken humanity always and everywhere.*

ROBERT M. DYE, *Wash.*  
JOHN FORBES, *Wash.*  
FRED W. AGATZ, *Wash.*

(For report of committee on this document, recommending its rejection, see document 190; for final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting report, see proceedings of the sixth day, evening session.)

**CITIZENSHIP QUALIFICATIONS.**

The following proposition was presented, passed on first and second reading, and referred to the Committee on Judiciary:

**Document 113.**

A proposition to amend article xii, section 6, of the Supreme constitution, entitled, "Subordinate Lodges."

*Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias, That article xii, section 6, of the Supreme constitution, be and the same is hereby amended, to read as follows:*

Sec. 6. The ranks of knighthood shall be attained and conferred only in accordance with the requirements of Supreme law. The conditions of eligibility to such ranks shall be uniform, and shall be fixed by the Supreme statutes; provided always, that no person shall be initiated into the order unless he be a white male, of good moral character, eighteen years of age, a citizen of a country where the order has a lodge recognized by the Supreme

Lodge, and a believer in a Supreme Being, and provided further, that the fees for the ranks of knighthood shall not be less than twenty-five dollars in the currency of the United States, or its equivalent in the currency of the country in which the lodge is located.

ROBERT M. DYE, *Wash.*  
JOHN FORBES, *Wash.*  
FRED W. AGATZ, *Wash.*  
GRAHAM PERDUE, *Ala.*  
BENJ. A. TAYLOR, *Ala.*

(For report of committee on this document, recommending its rejection, see document 201; for final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting report, see proceedings of the sixth day, evening session.)

### HONOR JEWEL TO MASTER OF FINANCE.

The following proposition was presented, passed on first and second reading, and referred to the Committee on Judiciary:

#### Document 114.

A proposition to amend part ii, division vi, chapter iii, of the Supreme statutes.

*Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias,* That part ii, division vi, chapter iii, of the Supreme statutes, be and the same is hereby amended, by adding a new section thereto to be known as section 395a, to read as follows:

395a. It shall be the duty of the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal to cause to be designed and made and furnished, free of expense to subordinate lodges, an appropriate bronze jewel of honor to be presented to each master of finance who shall be able, during any one calendar year, so to perform his duties so that no member of his lodge is suspended or expelled, or rendered liable to suspension or expulsion, on account of non-payment of dues by such member.

Appropriate bars, to be appended to such jewel of honor, for any succeeding year in which a similar result shall have been attained, shall also be designed and furnished by the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal for presentation.

BENJ. F. BLEDSON, *Cal.*  
ELIJAH C. HART, *Cal.*

(For report of committee on this document, recommending its rejection, see document 202; for final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting report, see proceedings of the sixth day, evening session.)

### NATIONAL PYTHIAN ASSEMBLY.

The Committee on State of the Order submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### Document 115.

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on State of the Order to which was referred the communication entitled, "National Pythian Assembly," would respectfully submit the following report:

Organizations of past chancellors already exist in many grand domains, and they have been very effective in the promotion of the growth and influence of their respective lodges. We commend the encouragement of such organizations. It is our opinion that a ceremonial ritual containing initiatory and other ceremonies for such organizations, are unnecessary and in no way promote their effectiveness.

We therefore recommend that the document be filed without any action being taken thereon.

WM. GROSSMAN, *Chairman*.  
WM. D. QUICK, *Secretary*.

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting report, see proceedings of the fifth day, morning session.)

### IDENTIFICATION CARD.

The Committee on State of the Order submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### Document 116.

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on State of the Order to which was referred document 21, entitled, "Identification Card," would respectfully submit the following report:

That we unanimously recommend it be not adopted.

WM. GROSSMAN, *Chairman*.  
WM. D. QUICK, *Secretary*.

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting report, see proceedings of the fifth day, morning session.)

### DIVORCEMENT OF INSURANCE DEPARTMENT.

The Committee on State of the Order submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### Document 117.

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on State of the Order to which was referred document 16, entitled, "Insurance Department," would respectfully submit the following report:

That we unanimously recommend that it be not adopted.

WM. GROSSMAN, *Chairman*.  
WM. D. QUICK, *Secretary*.

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting report, see proceedings of the fifth day, morning session.)

### REVISION OF THE RITUAL.

The Committee on State of the Order submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### Document 118.

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on State of the Order to which was referred document 36, entitled, "Revision of the Ritual," would respectfully submit the following report:

That we unanimously recommend that it be not adopted.

WM. GROSSMAN, *Chairman*.  
WM. D. QUICK, *Secretary*.

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting report, see proceedings of the fifth day, morning session.)

### REPORT ON STATE OF THE ORDER.

The Committee on State of the Order submitted the appended general report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### **Document 119.**

##### *To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on State of the Order to which was referred the introductory portion of the printed report of the Supreme Chancellor, that portion thereof entitled, "Relief in storm-stricken section of Texas," and that portion thereof designated as "Appeals Refused", as well as that portion of the printed report of the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal under the heading "Country filled with ex-members," and that portion of said report entitled, "Defunct Lodges," respectfully begs leave to submit the following report:

1. That portion of the Supreme Chancellor's report as found on the first thirteen pages thereof discloses that in entering upon the discharge of his duties and assuming the responsibilities of his high office, the Supreme Chancellor comprehended to an unusual degree the scope of his work as well as the possibilities that might result from fearless, energetic and devoted service along lines which in his judgment could best conduce to the upbuilding and advancement of the Pythian fraternity. The splendid results which have filled and crowned his administration must afford him the keenest satisfaction—they have filled every true Pythian with pride and are a source of inspiration to even greater efforts for the development of our beloved order.

2. In promptly and liberally responding to the appeal of the Pythians of the Lone Star Domain of Texas for aid to the flood sufferers along its Gulf coast, the Supreme Chancellor gave evidence of the fact that the Pythian hand is ne'er closed to human need but ever its largeness so bestows as to aid and bless mankind. In thus generously demonstrating our capacity and readiness to relieve distress, he has shown that we practice the service which we preach and has won further appreciation as well as general commendation of our order.

3. We unreservedly commend the Supreme Chancellor for his prompt, courageous and determined opposition to the attempts made to circularize the Supreme Domain in behalf of lodges seeking funds for the erection of castle halls or payment of debts. These matters are purely local and must of necessity depend upon the aggressive action of the domain immediately concerned.

4. The thought expressed by the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal relative to ex-members gives evidence of the fact that the interest of the order is ever uppermost in his mind and heart. No doubt there are great possibilities of reclaiming members, as therein suggested, but it has seemed to your committee that some more definite information relative to the number of such ex-members and the practicability of attaining this great end through more active service and direct attention to the several subordinate lodges, should be at hand before making any specific recommendation—nevertheless, your committee deems the matter of such importance as to commend this thought of the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal to the serious attention of all grand and subordinate lodges, which can make surveys of their respective jurisdictions and inaugurate this service of preservation and redemption.

5. It is a matter of the utmost importance that Pythian records belonging to lodges that have become defunct should not be permitted to disappear or be lost to the order—they should be preserved, of course, in order that they may not reach unfriendly hands, and further, in order that valuable Pythian statistics which they contain are not destroyed, and we earnestly





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commend this important matter to the careful consideration of every Pythian in the hope that each will do his utmost to prevent the happening of such result.

In conclusion, your committee after careful consideration of the several matters above set out, viewing the faithful, untiring and efficient service of Supreme Chancellor Davis and Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal Wheaton, congratulates the order upon the self-sacrificing and loyal work of these officers and expresses the belief that their devoted efforts have won for each of them a place in the affection of every Pythian Knight.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. GROSSMAN, *Chairman*.

WM. D. QUICK, *Secretary*.

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report, see proceedings of the fifth day, morning session.)

### CIPHER RITUAL—PROMULGATION.

The Committee on Unwritten Work submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### Document 120.

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Unwritten Work, to which was referred that portion of the report of the Supreme Chancellor, under the heading, "Official Promulgation of the Cipher Ritual," would respectfully submit the following report:

That the action of the Supreme Chancellor be approved.

MERRILL L. WELCKER, *Chairman*.

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report, see proceedings of the fifth day, morning session.)

### RECOGNITION SIGN URGED.

The Committee on Unwritten Work submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### Document 121.

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Unwritten Work to which was referred that part of the report of the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal under the heading, "Recognition' Sign Urged," would respectfully submit the following report:

That no legislation is now advisable.

MERRILL L. WELCKER, *Chairman*.

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report, see proceedings of the fifth day, morning session.)

### MISCELLANEOUS TOPICS IN OFFICIAL REPORTS.

The Committee on Good of the Order submitted the appended reports, which were ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### Document 122.

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Good of the Order to which was referred that part of the reports of the Supreme Chancellor and Supreme Keeper of Records

and Seal, under the captions, "Authors of Our Ritual," "Fifty Year Veteran Jewel," "Suspensions," "Reinstatements," and "Minimum Age," would respectfully submit the following report:

That no action is necessary in view of pending legislation upon the subjects above named.

VICTOR HAWKINS, *Chairman.*

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report, see proceedings of the fifth day, morning session.)

### **Document 123.**

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Good of the Order to which was referred that part of the report of the Supreme Chancellor under the captions, "Pythian Sisters," "Departments and Auxiliaries," "Other Relations with the Government," "Decree of the Catholic Church Against the Pythian Order," and "Illustrious Order Knights of the Cross," would respectfully submit the following report:

That we concur in and commend the action of the Supreme Chancellor therein.

VICTOR HAWKINS, *Chairman.*

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report, see proceedings of the fifth day, morning session.)

### **EXTENSION OF THE ORDER.**

The Committee on Good of the Order submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

### **Document 124.**

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Good of the Order to which was referred that part of the reports of the Supreme Chancellor and the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal, under the captions, "Extension of the Order Over-seas," would respectfully submit the following report:

That in their opinion it is inadvisable at this time to enter the European field in an attempt to extend Pythian work over-seas.

VICTOR HAWKINS, *Chairman.*

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting the report, see proceedings of the fifth day, morning session.)

### **ELIMINATE MASTER OF FINANCE.**

The appended resolution was offered and referred to the Committee on Judiciary:

### **Document 125.**

*Be it resolved by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias,* That the Committee on Judiciary be and are hereby directed to prepare a statute eliminating the master of finance as an officer of a subordinate lodge, and providing that the duties now assigned to that officer shall be the duties of the keeper of records and seal.

VICTOR HAWKINS, *Mich.*

ROBERT J. WEST, *Mich.*

ALBERT E. SHARPE, *Mich.*

(For report of committee on this document, recommending its rejection, see document 203; for final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting report, see proceedings of the sixth day, evening session.)



**ADDITIONAL ALLOWANCE TO MRS. RICHIE.**

The appended resolution was offered and referred to the Committee on Finance:

**Document 126.**

WHEREAS, By the action of the Supreme Lodge at Detroit on document 83, a monthly allowance of fifty dollars per month was appropriated for the benefit of Catherine E. Richie, widow of the late Walter B. Richie, Past Supreme Chancellor; and

WHEREAS, For some time the physical condition of the said Catherine E. Richie has been more seriously impaired by reason of partial paralysis, and her support and care was made increasingly difficult despite the former beneficence of the Supreme Lodge; now, therefore, be it

*Resolved by the Supreme Lodge* in convention assembled at Minneapolis, Minnesota, this 13th day of August 1920, that an additional amount of twenty-five dollars per month is appropriated for the benefit of the said Catherine E. Richie for the ensuing period of two years, or until her death or marriage, should same occur during that period.

CHARLES J. DECKMAN, *Ohio.*

ARTHUR E. KERNS, *Ohio.*

JACOB WOEHRL, *Ohio.*

ALBERT A. WORMWOOD, *Ohio.*

WILLIAM SCHUCHARDT, *Ohio.*

BRIG S. YOUNG, *P. S. C.*

(For report of committee on this document, recommending its adoption, see document 136; for final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting report, and adopting the foregoing resolution, see proceedings of the sixth day, morning session.)

**STANDING COMMITTEES, SUPREME LODGE.**

The following proposition was presented, passed on first and second reading, and referred to the Committee on Judiciary:

**Document 127.**

A proposition to amend part i, division i, chapter viii, section 28, of the Supreme statutes, entitled, "Committees."

*Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias*, That part i, division i, chapter viii, section 28, of the Supreme statutes, be and the same is hereby amended.

28. The Supreme Chancellor, as soon as practicable after his installation, shall appoint from the members of the Supreme Lodge the following standing committees, whose terms of service shall continue until the close of the next succeeding biennial convention, subject to the provisions of section 47 of this chapter. No member of the Supreme Lodge shall be appointed to more than one standing committee for service during the same biennial term:

A committee on judiciary, consisting of ten members.

A committee on ways and means, consisting of five members.

A committee on finance, consisting of five members.

A committee on the state of the order, consisting of five members.

A committee on the insurance department, consisting of ten members.

A committee on the military department, consisting of five members.

A committee on grievances, consisting of five members.

A committee on credentials, consisting of five members.

A committee on mileage and per diem, consisting of five members.

- A committee on written work, consisting of five members.
- A committee on unwritten work, consisting of five members.
- A committee on warrants and charters, consisting of five members.
- A committee on grand domains, consisting of five members.
- A committee on review, consisting of five members.
- A committee on rules, consisting of five members.
- A committee on subdivision and reference, consisting of five members.
- A committee on necrology, consisting of five members.
- A committee on Pythian education, consisting of five members.
- A committee on good of the order, consisting of five members.

FRED E. WHEATON, S. K. R. S.

(For report of committee on this document, recommending its rejection, see document 204; for action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting report, see proceedings of the sixth day, evening session; for final action of the Supreme Lodge, reconsidering vote by which document 204 was adopted and passing a substitute proposition on third reading, see proceedings of the seventh day.)

### RECESS ORDERED.

On motion, the Supreme Lodge took recess until 9 a. m., Saturday, August 14th.

## FIFTH DAY

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### MORNING SESSION

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The Supreme Lodge was called to order Saturday, August 14, at 9 a. m., by Supreme Chancellor Charles S. Davis.

The roll was called, and Supreme Lodge officers, Past Supreme Chancellors and Supreme Representatives were found to be present as under:

CHARLES S. DAVIS, *Supreme Chancellor.*

WILLIAM LADEW, *Supreme Vice Chancellor.*

FREDERICK S. ATTWOOD, *Supreme Prelate.*

FRED E. WHEATON, *Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal.*

THOMAS D. MEARES, *Supreme Master of Exchequer.*

FRED J. G. MCARTHUR, *Supreme Master at Arms.*

DOUGLAS S. WRIGHT, *Supreme Inner Guard.*

HENRY M. WADSWORTH, *Supreme Outer Guard.*

*Past Supreme Chancellors*—JOHN J. BROWN, HENRY P. BROWN, THOMAS J. CARLING, EDWARD DUNN, BRIG S. YOUNG.

*Supreme Representatives*—AGATZ, ALLEN, ANDERSON, ARBENZ, BALLANTYNE, BALLREICH, BAXTER, BEANS, BECKFORD, BELL, BINNS, BLED SOE, BOESE, BOWERS, BRANTLEY, BRISTOW, BROENING, BROKAW, BROWN, BRUNT, BUCK, CABELL, CAIRNS, CONGER, CONNALLY, CONYBEARE, CRIST, CRITES, CROUCH, DARLAND, DICKINSON, DINNIE, DOYNE, DUNCAN, DYE, EDENS, ELLIS, ELTZ, ERWIN, FORBES, FOX, FROST, GATES, GILMAN, GRANT, GROSSMAN, GUILD, GWINN, HAMPTON, HARBER, HARP, HARRIS, HAWKINS, HEINRICH, HELLER, HERREID, HILLER, HUNTER, HUTCHISON, JONES, KAHLERT, KELSEY, KENDALL, KERNS, KIMBALL, KING, KLINE, KNIGHT, LEWIS, LOFTIN, LOUCKS, LUMPKIN, MCCOY, MCCREARY, MCCUISH, McMILLEN, MACDONALD, MACGREGOR, MACINTYRE, MAXWELL, MEID, MENDELSON, MERRILL, MIDDLETON, MILAM, MOORE, MORRISON, MUIR, NUZUM, O'CONNOR, OTWELL, PATTERSON, PERDUE, PLUMMER, POLLARD, PRIEST, PUTNAM, QUICK, RANDOLPH, REEVE, REMY, RITCHIE, SCHOBERTH, SCHREIBER, SCHROEDER, SCHURCHARDT, SHARPE, SIMAN, SIMPSON, SOUTHWICK, STEESE, STEIN, STEVENSON, STEWART (M. P.), STEWART (Tenn.), STRATTON, TAYLOR, THOMPSON, TOWERS, VAUGHN, VOGEL, WARD, WARNER, WEILAND, WEIR, WELCKER, WEST, WHARTON, WHITFIELD, WILLIAMS (Kans.), WILLIAMS (N. M.), WILLIAMSON, WILSON (Nev.), WILLSON (N. C.), WILSON (Ont.), WINN, WOEHRLER, WOODWORTH, WORMWOOD.

**JOURNAL APPROVED.**

On motion of Supreme Representative Arbenz, of West Virginia, the Journal of the fourth day was "approved as printed."

**MEMBER EXCUSED.**

The Supreme Chancellor announced that Supreme Representative Gyles, of South Carolina, at his urgent request, had been excused from further attendance at this convention.

**MILEAGE, 10 CENTS.**

Calling attention to document 91 (page 404 *ante*), Supreme Representative Vaughn, of Illinois, moved "that all of said subject matter be expunged from the record."

Supreme Representative Ballantyne, of Massachusetts, made the point of order "that favorable action on this motion was irregular and out of order," which point of order was sustained.

**EFFICIENCY SYSTEM FOR LODGES.**

Document 79 (page 376 *ante*), was taken up.

In accordance with the resolution contained in said document, the Supreme Chancellor announced the appointment of the following Special Committee on Efficiency:

Supreme Representative Loucks, *California*.

Supreme Representative Harp, *Maryland*.

Supreme Representative Schoberth, *Kentucky*.

Supreme Representative Kimball, *Iowa*.

Supreme Representative Wormwood, *Ohio*.

(For report of this committee, recommending that a portion of the subject matter accompanying document 79 be referred to the Committee on Pythian Education, see document 208; for final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting report, see proceedings of the seventh day.)

**VACANCIES FILLED ON FINANCE COMMITTEE.**

The Supreme Chancellor announced the following appointments on the Committee on Finance to fill temporary vacancies:

Supreme Representative Kerns, of Ohio, vice Supreme Representative Deckman—absent by reason of sickness.

Supreme Representative Warner, of Wisconsin, vice Supreme Representative Witte—called home by reason of the serious illness of his mother.

**RECESS AND NIGHT SESSION.**

Supreme Representative Vaughn, of Illinois, moved "that the Supreme Lodge take recess at 12 noon, this day, and reconvene at 7:30 p. m., which motion prevailed.



### COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

Supreme Representative Vaughn, of Illinois, moved "that a Committee on Resolutions, consisting of six members, be appointed," which motion prevailed, and the Supreme Chancellor announced the appointment of the following as such committee:

Supreme Representative Moore, *Pennsylvania*.  
Supreme Representative Salinger, *Iowa*.  
Supreme Representative Loucks, *California*.  
Supreme Representative Harber, *Missouri*.  
Supreme Representative Brunt, *Oklahoma*.  
Supreme Representative Conybeare, *Alberta*.

### ACTION ON COMMITTEE REPORTS.

The regular order—consideration of reports of standing committees—was taken up.

Supreme Representative Cabell, of Virginia, in the chair.

Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal called attention to the provisions of paragraph "f" of rule "6" requiring the "consideration of reports of committees in the order in which they are printed in the daily journal," whereupon the Supreme Chancellor announced that said rule would be observed.

### ALLOWANCE TO MRS. VANDERVEER.

The report of the Committee on Finance (document 86, page 400 *ante*), was taken up and adopted, and the resolution contained in document 43 was unanimously adopted.

### MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS—S. C. REPORT.

The report of the Committee on Finance (document 87, page 400 *ante*), was taken up and adopted.

### MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS—S. K. R. S. REPORT.

The report of the Committee on Finance (document 88, page 400 *ante*), was taken up and adopted.

### EXPENSES WAR RELIEF COMMISSION.

The report of the Committee on Ways and Means (document 92, page 404 *ante*), was taken up and adopted.

### INSURANCE DEPARTMENT LEGISLATION.

The reports of the Committee on Insurance Department (documents 93, 93a, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100 and 101, pages 405 to 408 *ante*), were taken up, and separately adopted.

Supreme Representative Plummer, of Maine, chairman of the committee, moved that the propositions contained in docu-

ments 62, 63, 64, 65, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76 and 77, favorably reported on by the committee, be, in each instance, amended so as to provide that said propositions "take effect immediately."

Supreme Representative Ballantyne, of Massachusetts, moved as a substitute that each proposition be amended by inserting at the end thereof the words, "The same to take effect forthwith," which motion prevailed unanimously.

The propositions contained in documents 62, 63, 64, 65, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76 and 77, as amended, were passed on third reading by the following vote—rule 30:

Those voting "yea" were Supreme Representatives AGATZ, ALLEN, ANDERSON, ARBENZ, BALLANTYNE, BALLREICH, BAXTER, BEANS, BECKFORD, BELL, BINNS, BLEDSOE, BOESE, BOWERS, BRANTLEY, BRISTOW, BROENING, BROKAW, BROWN, BRUNT, BUCK, CABELL, CAIRNS, CONGER, CONNALLY, CONYBEARE, CRIST, CRITES, CROUCH, DARLAND, DICKINSON, DINNIE, DOYNE, DUNCAN, DYE, EDENS, ELLIS, ELTZ, ERWIN, FORBES, FOX, FROST, GATES, GILMAN, GRANT, GROSSMAN, GUILD, GWINN, HAMPTON, HARBER, HARP, HARRIS, HAWKINS, HENIRICHS, HELLER, HERREID, HILLER, HUNTER, HUTCHISON, JONES, KAHLERT, KELSEY, KENDALL, KERNS, KIMBALL, KING, KLINE, KNIGHT, LEWIS, LOFTIN, LOUCKS, LUMPKIN, MCCOY, MCCREARY, MCCUIISH, McMILLEN, MACDONALD, MACGREGOR, MACINTYRE, MAXWELL, MEID, MENDELSON, MERRILL, MIDDLETON, MILAM, MOORE, MORRISON, MUIR, NUZUM, O'CONNOR, OTWELL, PATTERSON, PERDUE, PLUMMER, POLARD, PRIEST, PUTNAM, QUICK, RANDOLPH, REEVE, REMY, RITCHIE, SCHOBERTH, SCHREIBER, SCHROEDER, SCHUCHARDT, SHARPE, SIMAN, SIMPSON, SOUTHWICK, STEESE, STEIN, STEVENSON, STEWART (M. P.), STEWART (Tenn.), STRATTON, TAYLOR, THOMPSON, TOWERS, VAUGHN, VOGEL, WARD, WARNER, WEILAND, WEIR, WELCKER, WEST, WHARTON, WHITFIELD, WILLIAMS (Kans.), WILLIAMS (N. M.), WILLIAMSON, WILSON (Nev.), WILLSON (N. C.), WILSON (Ont.), WINN, WOEHRLER, WOODWORTH, WORMWOOD; Past Supreme Chancellors BROWN (Ill.), BROWN (Texas), CARLING, DUNN, YOUNG; the Supreme Chancellor, the Supreme Vice Chancellor, the Supreme Prelate, the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal, the Supreme Master of Exchequer, the Supreme Master at Arms, the Supreme Inner Guard, the Supreme Outer Guard—152.

Those voting "nay" were—0.

Past Supreme Chancellor Young moved "that the vote by which these (the foregoing) propositions were passed be reconsidered," which motion was declared out of order.

Supreme Chancellor Davis in the chair.

#### NATIONAL PYTHIAN ASSEMBLY.

The report of the Committee on State of the Order (document 115, page 414 *ante*), was taken up and adopted.

**IDENTIFICATION CARD.**

The report of the Committee on State of the Order (document 116, page 415 *ante*), was taken up and adopted.

**DIVORCEMENT OF INSURANCE DEPARTMENT.**

The report of the Committee on State of the Order (document 117, page 415 *ante*), was taken up and adopted.

**REVISION OF THE RITUAL.**

The report of the Committee on State of the Order (document 118, page 415 *ante*), was taken up and adopted.

**REPORT ON STATE OF THE ORDER.**

The report of the Committee on State of the Order (document 119, page 416 *ante*), was taken up and adopted.

**CIPHER RITUAL—PROMULGATION.**

The report of the Committee on Unwritten Work (document 120, page 417 *ante*), was taken up and adopted.

**RECOGNITION SIGN URGED.**

The report of the Committee on Unwritten Work (document 121, page 417 *ante*), was taken up and adopted.

**MISCELLANEOUS TOPICS IN OFFICIAL REPORTS.**

The report of the Committee on Good of the Order (document 122, page 417 *ante*), was taken up and adopted.

The report of the Committee on Good of the Order (document 123, page 418 *ante*), was taken up and adopted.

**EXTENSION OF THE ORDER.**

The report of the Committee on Good of the Order (document 124, page 418 *ante*), was taken up and adopted.

**MAJOR GENERAL RE-ELECTED.**

The appended communication was received, read and referred to the Committee on Military Department:

**Document 128.**

CLEVELAND, OHIO, July 29, 1920.

This is to certify that Major General William H. Loomis was elected to succeed himself as Major General, commanding the military department for the ensuing biennial term, by the Supreme assembly regularly convened in fourteenth biennial meeting in Cleveland, Ohio, on Thursday, July 29, 1920.

CHARLES S. DAVIS, *Supreme Chancellor*.

(For report of committee on this document, recommending that the action of the Supreme Assembly be concurred in, see document 215; for final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting report and confirming the re-election, see proceedings of the seventh day.)

### **"THE MILITARY DEPARTMENT"—S. C.**

The Committee on Military Department submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### **Document 129.**

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Military Department, to which was referred certain parts of the report of the Supreme Chancellor, would respectfully submit the following report:

That the topics contained therein have been carefully considered, and recommend that no legislation is required.

JOHN H. MAXWELL, *Chairman.*

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report, see proceedings of the sixth day, morning session.)

### **RULES AND REGULATIONS.**

The Committee on Military Department submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### **Document 130.**

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Military Department, to which was referred document 57 containing the propositions passed by the Supreme Assembly, Uniform Rank, would respectfully submit the following report:

That the same ought to pass.

JOHN H. MAXWELL, *Chairman.*

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report and approving the legislation contained in document 57, see proceedings of the sixth day, morning session.)

### **MAJOR GENERAL BY APPOINTMENT.**

The Committee on Military Department submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### **Document 131.**

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Military Department, to which was referred document 102 to amend part ii, division vii, chapter iii, section 540, of the Supreme statutes, entitled, "The Major General," would respectfully submit the following report:

The same ought to pass.

JOHN H. MAXWELL, *Chairman.*

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report and passing the proposition contained in document 102 on third reading, see proceedings of the sixth day, morning session.)

### **"PYTHIAN CATECHISM"—S. C.**

The Committee on Written Work submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:



**Document 132.**

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Written Work, to which was referred that part of the report of the Supreme Chancellor relating to Pythian Catechism, would respectfully submit the following report:

We concur in the recommendation of the Supreme Chancellor.

HAROLD C. BRUNT, *Chairman.*

THEODORE V. SIMPSON, *Secretary.*

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, ordering that this report lie on the table, see proceedings of the sixth day, morning session.)

**ABOLITION OF THE PRINTED RITUAL.**

The Committee on Written Work submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

**Document 133.**

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Written Work, to which was referred that part of the report of the Supreme Chancellor recommending the abolishment of all printed rituals on June 30, 1921, would respectfully submit the following report:

We heartily concur in such recommendation and ask that the Judiciary Committee prepare and submit to this Convention such legislation as may be necessary to carry same into effect.

HAROLD C. BRUNT, *Chairman.*

THEODORE V. SIMPSON, *Secretary.*

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report, see proceedings of the sixth day, morning session.)

**ANTE ROOM RITUALISM.**

The Committee on Written Work submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

**Document 134.**

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Written Work, to which was referred that part of the report of the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal relating to Ante Room Ritualism, would respectfully submit the following report:

That we concur in the opinion of the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal in regard to this matter and earnestly urge that the law be strictly complied with.

HAROLD C. BRUNT, *Chairman.*

THEODORE V. SIMPSON, *Secretary.*

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report, see proceedings of the sixth day, morning session.)

**SALUTE THE FLAG.**

The Committee on Written Work presented the following proposition, which was passed on first and second reading and referred to the Committee on Judiciary:

**Document 135.**

A proposition to amend section 180, of the Supreme statutes, entitled, "The Flag of Our Country."

*Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias,* That section 180, of the Supreme Statutes, be and the same is hereby amended by adding the following, to be known as paragraph "e":

(e) Any member entering the castle hall after the lodge has been regularly opened, shall approach the altar, and salute the flag, before giving the sign of courtesy.

HAROLD C. BRUNT, *Chairman.*

THEODORE V. SIMPSON, *Secretary.*

(The committee made no specific report on this document; see revised flag ceremony proposition as contained in document 191, which proposition contained the subject matter of the proposition in the foregoing document 135; for final action of the Supreme Lodge, passing substitute proposition on third reading, see proceedings of the sixth day, evening session.)

**ADDITIONAL ALLOWANCE TO MRS. RICHIE.**

The Committee on Finance submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

**Document 136.**

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred document 126, would respectfully submit the following report:

We recommend that the same do pass.

BENJAMIN D. BRANTLEY, *Acting Chairman.*

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report, see proceedings of the sixth day, morning session.)

**CONSTRUCTION FUND AND WORK.**

The Committee on Ways and Means submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

**Document 137.**

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred "Five Million Dollar Construction and Endowment Fund" in the Supreme Chancellor's report and "Big Construction Work Demanded" in the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal's report, would respectfully submit the following report:

These propositions require the very best thought and most earnest consideration of the Supreme Lodge. It is the judgment of your committee that they should be referred to a special committee of five. We recommend that such a committee be composed of the Supreme Chancellor-elect, Brother William Ladew, as chairman, and Supreme Vice Chancellor-elect, Brother George C. Cabell, and three Supreme Representatives to be named by the Supreme Chancellor-elect. That said committee be authorized and empowered to make a survey of the Supreme domain and to report back to the Supreme Lodge at the next biennial convention to be held in San Francisco.

1st. Upon the needs of the fund mentioned in the subjects of this report.

2nd. If said committee finds that said funds should be raised they shall report a definite plan outlying the purpose or purposes for which said fund shall be used, together with the appropriate necessary legislation for the administration of said fund.

Said report to be published and placed in the hands of the Supreme Representatives sixty days prior to the next biennial convention.

We further recommend that the Finance Committee report an appropriation of \$1,000 or so much thereof that may be needed to defray the necessary traveling and hotel expenses of the committee, and the expense of publishing and preparing such report.

WILLIAM K. WHITFIELD, *Chairman*.  
ANDREW G. PATTERSON, *Secretary*.

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, amending and adopting this report, see proceedings of the sixth day, morning session.)

### PYTHIAN SANATORIUM.

The Committee on State of the Order submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### Document 138.

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on State of the Order, to which was referred document 18, entitled, "Pythian Sanatorium," would respectfully submit the following report:

The spirit of the proposed enactment and the sentiments expressed in its preamble are most laudable, but your committee does not deem the enactment necessary or advisable at this time. Grand domains and their subordinate lodges, in most instances, are providing all necessary comfort and aid to the ill and needy in their respective memberships, and the Supreme Lodge Relief Fund created by statutory enactment in 1918, has been ample to provide for Pythians who have become charges on lodges in domains other than those in which their home lodges are located.

In the circumstances, your committee recommends that Document 18 be not adopted.

WILLIAM GROSSMAN, *Chairman*.  
WILLIAM D. QUICK, *Secretary*.

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report, see proceedings of the sixth day, morning session.)

### \$100,000 FOR SANATORIUM.

The Committee on State of the Order submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### Document 139.

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on State of the Order, to which was referred document 19, entitled, "\$100,000 for Sanatorium," would respectfully submit the following report:

That we unanimously recommend that it be not adopted.

WILLIAM GROSSMAN, *Chairman*.  
WILLIAM D. QUICK, *Secretary*.

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report, see proceedings of the sixth day, morning session.)

### SHALL HOMES BE NATIONALIZED?

The Committee on State of the Order submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

**Document 140.**

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on State of the Order, to which was referred document 58, entitled, "Shall Homes Be Nationalized?" would respectfully submit the following report:

It recommends that the resolving clause be amended so as to read as follows:

Therefore be it resolved, that in order to enable the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias to determine the advisability of acquiring and consolidating the management of some of the aforesaid homes, a commission of two members of the Supreme Lodge be appointed by the incoming Supreme Chancellor to ascertain the sentiment of the several grand domains in which such homes at present are located, on the question of such acquisition and consolidated management; and if such sentiment be found to be favorable to the proposition, then also to ascertain which of the said homes may or can be acquired, and upon what terms.

That at least sixty days before the next convention of the Supreme Lodge the commission shall make a written report of all its proceedings and findings, in duplicate, to be submitted to the Supreme Lodge at such next convention, and shall deliver one to the Supreme Chancellor and the other to the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal.

Be it further resolved, that the members of the commission shall serve without compensation but shall be allowed their actual and necessary expenses in the performance of their duties; provided, that no traveling expense shall be allowed, unless it shall have been made by the direction or with the consent of the Supreme Chancellor previously obtained.

Your committee further reports that the document amended as aforesaid be adopted.

WILLIAM GROSSMAN, *Chairman.*  
WILLIAM D. QUICK, *Secretary.*

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report, see proceedings of the sixth day, morning session.)

**"INSURANCE DEPARTMENT"—S. C.**

The Committee on Insurance Department submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

**Document 141.**

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Insurance Department, to which was referred that portion of the Supreme Chancellor's report under the caption, "Insurance Department," would respectfully submit the following report:

That they highly approve the comments and suggestions contained therein and feel that they are deserving of careful consideration by the officers and members of this body.

EDWARD C. PLUMMER, *Chairman.*

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report, see proceedings of the sixth day, morning session.)

**LIFE MEMBERSHIP CERTIFICATES.**

The Committee on Insurance Department submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:



**Document 142.**

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Insurance Department, to which was referred that portion of the Supreme Chancellor's report under the caption, "Life Membership Certificates," would respectfully submit the following report:

That while they approve the principle of life memberships they find as stated in their report on the resolution referred to them by the Supreme Lodge at its preceding convention, that the insurance department cannot legally engage in the business of issuing such certificates; which, therefore, if issued, must come from some other source than the insurance department.

EDWARD C. PLUMMER, *Chairman.*

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report, see proceedings of the sixth day, morning session.)

**"LIFE MEMBERSHIP"—S. K. R. S.**

The Committee on Insurance Department submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

**Document 143.**

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Insurance Department, to which was referred that portion of the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal's report, under the caption, "Life Membership," would respectfully submit the following report:

That they have examined the same and approve of the sentiments therein expressed. They find, however, that this is not a matter within the scope of the insurance department's power.

EDWARD C. PLUMMER, *Chairman.*

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report, see proceedings of the sixth day, morning session.)

**REPORT OF BOARD OF CONTROL.**

The Committee on Insurance Department submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

**Document 144.**

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Insurance Department, to which was referred the report of the board of control of the insurance department, would respectfully submit the following report:

That they have examined the same and the affidavit of the actuary contained therein. We find that the accounts have been properly audited, that the report is made in accordance with the requirements of the Supreme statutes, and we commend the Board for the excellent business condition in which this department now is, as a result of their careful and able management.

EDWARD C. PLUMMER, *Chairman.*

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report, see proceedings of the sixth day, morning session.)

**"INSURANCE FOR ALL MEMBERS."**

The Committee on Insurance Department submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

**Document 145.**

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Insurance Department, to which was referred document 34 in the proceedings of the Supreme Lodge Convention of 1918, proposing blanket certificate insurance, would respectfully submit the following report:

That they have secured the actuarial facts required and the opinions of the actuary and general counsel of the board of control as to the practicability and legality of issuing blanket certificate insurance in lieu of funeral benefits, and find that the same cannot be issued in the form first proposed.

They, therefore, recommend the substitute certificate in the sum of \$250 as provided for in document 83.

EDWARD C. PLUMMER, *Chairman.*

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report and amending the proposition contained in document 83, consideration of which document was taken at time of final action on document 143, see proceedings of the sixth day, morning session.)

**FISCAL YEAR, INSURANCE DEPARTMENT.**

The Committee on Insurance Department submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

**Document 146.**

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Insurance Department, to which was referred document 61, would respectfully submit the following report:

That paragraph "a," part i, division vii, chapter ii, section 414, of the Supreme statutes, be amended to read as follows:

*Par. a.* The fiscal year for the insurance department shall begin with the first day of January and end with the last day of December.

EDWARD C. PLUMMER, *Chairman.*

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, amending this report by substituting the word "financial" for "fiscal" and passing the proposition contained in document 61 on third reading, see proceedings of the sixth day, morning session.)

**CERTIFICATES FROM \$500 TO \$10,000.**

The Committee on Insurance Department submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

**Document 147.**

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Insurance Department, to which was referred document 106, would respectfully submit the following report:

That the same do not pass.

EDWARD C. PLUMMER, *Chairman.*

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report, see proceedings of the sixth day, morning session.)

**"HOW KUM!"—THE IMPERIAL PRINCE.**

On motion of Supreme Representative Buck, of Texas, "the privilege of the floor was granted to Past Grand Chancellor Harry A. Nice, of Baltimore, Maryland, Imperial Prince of the Dramatic Order Knights of Khorassan."

Judge Nice was invited to the platform, and delivered a masterly address on the principles and mission of the D. O. K. K., extolling its work and that of the parent order, and pledging the hearty co-operation of every "Dokey" in making Pythianism paramount as a factor in the world of fraternal endeavor. He expressed the thanks of the Imperial Palace for the generous endorsement granted by the Supreme Lodge in the resolution unanimously adopted at this convention.

### INFRINGEMENTS OF COPYRIGHTS.

The Committee on Judiciary submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### Document 148.

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred that portion of the report of Supreme Chancellor embraced under the heading of "Infringements of Our Copyrights," would respectfully submit the following report:

The Supreme Chancellor reports an apparent invasion of our copyrights in that an infringement of our official buttons and emblems is being indulged in. Obviously, the rights of the Supreme Lodge in this behalf should be protected, and we therefore recommend that the incoming Supreme Chancellor be and he hereby is authorized to take such action in the premises as will serve adequately to secure an enforcement of the rights of the Order and of the Supreme Lodge being violated in the respects above mentioned.

BENJAMIN F. BLEDSOE, *Chairman.*

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report, see proceedings of the sixth day, afternoon session.)

### ONE-YEAR TERM FOR LODGE OFFICERS.

The Committee on Judiciary submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### Document 149.

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred "One-year Term for Subordinate Lodge Officers," of the Supreme Chancellor's report, would respectfully submit the following report:

The Supreme Chancellor, after careful study of conditions, in furtherance of uniformity, recommends that legislation be enacted by the Supreme Lodge, taking from the grand lodges all option in the premises as under existing law and fixing the terms of office of all subordinate lodge officers at one year.

We appreciate the good to be gained from a uniform practice in this respect, but we think its advantages are over-borne by an allowance of self government in this behalf to the various grand domains. Dissimilarity of conditions in different domains lends argument, we think, to the soundness of our conclusion.

BENJAMIN F. BLEDSOE, *Chairman.*

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report, see proceedings of the sixth day, afternoon session.)

### “OFFICIAL RULINGS” BY S. C.

The Committee on Judiciary submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### Document 150.

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred “The Official Rulings” of the Supreme Chancellor, appearing in his report, would respectfully submit the following report:

The Supreme Chancellor in the course of performance of his official duties, has rendered a number of rulings construing Pythian law for administrative purposes. Excepting the one hereinafter referred to, we are in entire accord with, and approve these rulings, together with the fact of the promulgation. The Supreme Chancellor ruled in 1919, that a brother called to the chair to assist in the conferring of the rank of Knight might, himself, in the course of the ritualistic work communicate the semi-annual password to the candidate, and was not obliged to call upon the regular chancellor commander of the lodge to perform that particular function. A year later the Supreme Chancellor reversed this ruling, holding that under the circumstances indicated the word could be communicated only by the regular chancellor commander of the lodge.

In this later ruling, a majority of the committee on judiciary believe the Supreme Chancellor was in error. We think that there is nothing in the ritual or the law depriving the actual occupant of the chair, during the conferring of a rank, of the right or duty to perform all the functions devolving upon that office pursuant to the requirements of the ritualistic ceremony. The directions in the ritual as to things to be done by a given officer, refer to the office and not to the man.

During the conferring of a rank, for ritualistic purposes at least, the actual incumbent of a station is holding the office attached to that station. We think this view contributes to administrative efficiency and expedition in the course of ritualistic work, and in no wise sacrifices any of the safeguards intended to be thrown about the semi-annual password and its communication.

If it be of sufficient importance to justify a judicial construction of the ritual, the matter could perhaps be submitted to the Supreme Tribunal by the incoming Supreme Chancellor.

BENJAMIN F. BLEDSOE, *Chairman.*

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report, see proceedings of the sixth day, afternoon session.)

### “CORRECTIONS IN LEGISLATION”—S. C.

The Committee on Judiciary submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### Document 151.

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred that portion of the report of the Supreme Chancellor, entitled, “Corrections in Legislation,” would respectfully submit the following report:

The recommendation of the Supreme Chancellor refers to sections 247, 248 and 250, Supreme statutes; his criticism being that they are “ambiguous and conflicting.”



We are constrained to disagree with the Supreme Chancellor in this particular behalf. Sections 247 and 248 provide a method of obtaining membership in another lodge by one who is in possession merely of an official receipt, which he may deposit with his application, but if elected he does not become a member until a transfer card, applied for after election, shall have been issued to him.

The vice of the argument of the Supreme Chancellor lies in his assumption that an applicant becomes a member of the new lodge upon being elected to membership therein. By the very terms of the statutes, however, when read together, the contrary clearly appears to be the case. The new membership does not accrue until the application for receipt and deposit of the transfer card.

Section 194a, to which the Supreme Chancellor also refers, is so numbered because section 195 occurs in a subsequent chapter devoted to another subject matter. The section has no relation either to sections 193 or 194.

We find no occasion for any new legislation in connection with this portion of the Supreme Chancellor's report.

BENJAMIN F. BLEDSOE, *Chairman*.

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report, see proceedings of the sixth day, afternoon session.)

### **"GOOD STANDING"—S. K. R. S.**

The Committee on Judiciary submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### **Document 152.**

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred that part of the report of the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal under the caption, "Good Standing," would respectfully submit the following report:

In our opinion no legislation is necessary upon the subject-matter mentioned. It seems obvious to us that the fact that a member is not in possession or not entitled to the then possession of the semi-annual password, should not suffice to deprive him of good standing.

"Good Standing" and "Right of Visitation" are not convertible terms in Pythian law, under present ritualistic requirements.

It might be proper to suggest also that the "renouncing" of the order, referred to by the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal, and found in section 236, Supreme statutes, means a withdrawal therefrom.

BENJAMIN F. BLEDSOE, *Chairman*.

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report, see proceedings of the sixth day, afternoon session.)

### **"SICK BENEFITS IN LODGES"—S. K. R. S.**

The Committee on Judiciary submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### **Document 153.**

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred the matter of "Sick Benefits in Lodges," in the report of the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal, would respectfully submit the following report:

Our able Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal suggests that "funds for the payment of benefits should be collected apart from the fundamental amount required for the maintenance of good standing in the order."

Accepting the soundness of this general conclusion, we nevertheless think it is a question of mere administrative detail, more properly recognizable by the various subordinate lodges.

BENJAMIN F. BLEDSON, *Chairman*.

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report, see proceedings of the sixth day, afternoon session.)

### "LAW NOT RETROACTIVE"—S. K. R. S.

The Committee on Judiciary submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### Document 154.

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred that part of the report of the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal headed, "Law Not Retroactive," and also document 53, would respectfully submit the following report:

With logical success, the contention is made that in the amendment to paragraph "a" of article vi, of the Supreme constitution, adopted in 1916, according the honor of past chancellor to the chancellor commander of a lodge who should not serve out his term because of a consolidation of his lodge with another lodge, etc., those chancellor commanders serving in such consolidated lodges prior to the promulgation of the amendment, were in no wise benefitted thereby, because it was not retroactive, etc. To remedy this injustice, document 53 was introduced.

To avoid a slight textual criticism, we recommend that the proposition embraced therein do not pass, but that instead the constitution be amended as follows:

*Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias,* That article vi, paragraph "a" of the Supreme constitution, be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

(a) Past chancellor, which shall be attained upon the installation of his successor, by every chancellor commander who shall have served to the end of his official term; and, at the institution of a subordinate lodge, by the four members thereof who shall have been chosen by the lodge to receive that honor; and by the keepers of records and seal and masters of finance of subordinate lodges, who have served or shall hereafter serve their respective lodges at least five consecutive years in said offices; and by the chancellor commander of a subordinate lodge, who was serving in that capacity at the time such lodge was merged with another lodge, notwithstanding the fact he shall not have served until the end of his term.

BENJAMIN F. BLEDSON, *Chairman*.

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report and agreeing to the proposed constitutional amendment therein contained on third reading, see proceedings of the sixth day, afternoon session.)

### "BIBLE AT GRAND LODGE CONVENTIONS"—S. K. R. S.

The Committee on Judiciary submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

**Document 155.**

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred that part of the report of the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal, entitled, "Bible at Grand Lodge Conventions," would respectfully submit the following report:

With complete propriety, the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal admonishes us that the Holy Bible—the "book of law"—the rule and guide of our faith—the inspiration no less than the source of all that is best in our natures—ought to be found displayed on the altar of the Supreme Lodge and every grand lodge when convened. To attain this result, we recommend the adoption of the following amendment to our Supreme law.:

*Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias,* That division vi, part i, of the Supreme statutes, be amended by adding a new section thereto, to be known as section 381a, and which said section shall read as follows:

381a. At every convention of the Supreme Lodge, or of a grand lodge, the Holy Bible shall be displayed upon the altar throughout each session thereof.

BENJAMIN F. BLEDSOE, *Chairman.*

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report and passing the proposition therein contained on third reading, see proceedings of the sixth day, afternoon session.)

**PROHIBITED OCCUPATIONS.**

The Committee on Judiciary submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

**Document 156.**

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred that portion of the report of the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal entitled, "Saloon-keepers and Bar-tenders," and also document 39, would respectfully submit the following report:

The purpose of these two suggestions is to effect the elimination from section 195, Supreme statutes, and from the application blank in use in the order the injunction that a man to be a Knight of Pythias may not be either a "professional gambler, saloon-keeper, bar-tender or dealer in spirituous, vinous or malt liquors," etc. The reason advanced is that under the eighteenth amendment to the Federal Constitution and the Volstead Law, there are no saloon-keepers or bar-tenders in the United States, and that it is offensive to one of refined and more or less delicate mold to be asked to state that he does not fall within any one of the inhibited categories.

In Canada, where our order flourishes, we are advised that saloon-keepers and bar-tenders are yet to be encountered if diligent search be made. In the United States, the records of my own court and the growing and rather resentful population of sundry jails and penitentiaries afford ample demonstration of the fact that despite Congressman Volstead and his law, dealers in spiritous, malt and vinous liquors, still ply their nefarious trade.

We think a man too super-sensitive to subscribe to the fact that he actually is not what we have been given to understand he is not, is entirely too fragile a creature for our red-blooded institution.

We therefore are of the opinion that the proposed legislation is unnecessary, unwise and unsuited to conditions as they exist.

We recommend that it do not pass.

BENJAMIN F. BLEDSOE, *Chairman.*

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report, see proceedings of the sixth day, afternoon session.)

### P. C. HONOR TO M. E.

The Committee on Judiciary submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### Document 157.

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Judiciary to which was referred document 13, would respectfully submit the following report:

The purpose of the proposition is to give masters of exchequer the honor of past chancellor after five years' service in office.

Of course we now give the honor of past chancellor to keepers of records and seal and masters of finance, for continuous service during the like period. We think, however, that there is sufficient dissimilarity in the character of services performed by these officers and those performed by masters of exchequer, as to justify differentiation between them in the matter of according the constructive honor of past chancellor.

We, therefore, recommend that the proposition do not pass.

BENJAMIN F. BLEDSON, *Chairman*.

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report, see proceedings of the sixth day, afternoon session.)

### LODGE ELECTIONS IN SEPTEMBER.

The Committee on Judiciary submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### Document 158.

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred document 14, would respectfully submit the following report:

The purpose of this proposed amendment is to permit grand lodges, at their option, to provide for the election of subordinate lodge officers in the month of September of each year, instead of as at present.

In this case we think uniformity is necessary as tending to avoid serious administrative confusion, and we, therefore, report adversely upon the proposal and recommend that it do not pass.

BENJAMIN F. BLEDSON, *Chairman*.

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report, see proceedings of the sixth day, afternoon session.)

### QUORUM OF FIVE.

The Committee on Judiciary submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### Document 159.

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred document 15, would respectfully submit the following report:

This proposition is aimed to provide for a quorum of five for subordinate lodges instead of seven as at present. A lodge that cannot get seven could



hardly accomplish any good by securing the presence of five. This proposition, if adopted, would put a premium on increased indifference in subordinate lodge attendance. We think it should not pass and so recommend.

BENJAMIN F. BLEDSOE, *Chairman*.

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report, see proceedings of the sixth day, afternoon session.)

### CERTIFICATE OF PROFICIENCY.

The Committee on Judiciary submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### Document 160.

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred document 17, would respectfully submit the following report:

This is a proposition to add a new section to our law providing for a certificate of proficiency to be given to each candidate passing examination for the rank of knight, and that no member of the lodge can hold office without such certificate.

Your committee believe that the subject matter is satisfactorily covered by sections 210, 211 and 212 of the Supreme statutes.

We therefore recommend that the proposition do not pass.

BENJAMIN F. BLEDSOE, *Chairman*.

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report, see proceedings of the sixth day, afternoon session.)

### GRAND LODGE VISITORS.

The Committee on Judiciary submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### Document 161.

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred document 32, would respectfully submit the following report:

The purpose of this proposed amendment to our Supreme constitution, is to enable "any member in good standing" to admit himself as a visitor at any session of a grand lodge.

We see no occasion for this innovation, and entertain considerable doubt that any good could result therefrom.

We therefore recommend that the proposition do not pass.

BENJAMIN F. BLEDSOE, *Chairman*.

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report, see proceedings of the sixth day, afternoon session.)

### NO COMPULSORY BENEFITS.

The Committee on Judiciary submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

**Document 162.**

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred document 33, would respectfully submit the following report:

The principal purpose and the large effect of this proposed amendment to our Supreme constitution, is to deny to subordinate lodges the right to provide for the payment of compulsory sick or funeral benefits.

We believe this to be a matter more properly determinable by each subordinate lodge for itself, and therefore recommend that the proposition do not pass.

BENJAMIN F. BLEDSON, *Chairman.*

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report, see proceedings of the sixth day, afternoon session.)

**EXAMINATION BY CHANCELLOR COMMANDER.**

The Committee on Judiciary submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

**Document 163.**

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred document 40, would respectfully submit the following report:

Section 211a provides for the examination of a candidate before he shall be advanced to a higher rank, etc.; and specifically enacts that for the purpose of such examination "the Pythian catechism shall be used."

The purpose of the proposed amendment is to eliminate the requirement of the use of the Pythian catechism in the conducting of the examinations provided for.

We understand, both from experience and information, that the use of the Pythian catechism adopted by the Supreme Lodge in 1916 at Portland, is honored more in the breach than in the observance. We understand, also, that its use under all the circumstances is not entirely satisfactory, and we therefore recommend that the proposition do pass.

BENJAMIN F. BLEDSON, *Chairman.*

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report, see proceedings of the sixth day, afternoon session.)

**M. F. TO COMMUNICATE S. A. P. W.**

The Committee on Judiciary submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

**Document 164.**

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred document 41, would respectfully submit the following report:

By amendment to the Supreme law, it is the purpose of the proposition to enable the master of finance of a lodge to communicate the semi-annual password to a member upon receipt of his dues.

It is obvious, of course, that the mandatory requirements of the ritual were lost sight of in the tendering of this proposed amendment to our law. We therefore recommend that it do not pass.

BENJAMIN F. BLEDSON, *Chairman.*

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report, see proceedings of the sixth day, evening session.)

### G. L. RANK ON CHANCELLOR COMMANDER.

The Committee on Judiciary submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### Document 165.

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred document 51, would respectfully submit the following report:

The purpose of this proposed amendment to our constitution is to confer the grand lodge rank upon and constitute the sitting chancellor commander of a subordinate lodge, a member of his grand lodge.

This is another decided innovation, and we believe that its incorporation into law is demanded neither by principle nor expediency.

We therefore recommend that the proposition do not pass.

BENJAMIN F. BLEDSON, *Chairman.*

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report, see proceedings of the sixth day, evening session.)

### DUES OF NON-RESIDENT MEMBERS.

The Committee on Judiciary submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### Document 166.

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred document 60, would respectfully submit the following report:

Section 226a, of which this is amendatory, provides that if a member of a lodge shall have removed from the jurisdiction of his own lodge to that of another lodge, he may upon request of his own lodge, pay his dues to the master of finance of the lodge within whose jurisdiction he resides.

The purpose of the amendment is to enable him to do this upon his own initiative, without any request therefor coming from his own lodge.

For administrative and other reasons we deem this to be an unwise proceeding, and one likely to develop friction between lodges. We therefore recommend that the proposition do not pass.

BENJAMIN F. BLEDSON, *Chairman.*

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report, see proceedings of the sixth day, evening session.)

### RECESS ORDERED.

On motion, it was ordered that the Supreme Lodge take recess until 7:30 p. m. this day.

## FIFTH DAY

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### EVENING SESSION

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The Supreme Lodge was called to order Saturday, August 14, at 7:30 p. m., by Supreme Chancellor Charles S. Davis.

The roll was called, and Supreme Lodge officers, Past Supreme Chancellors and Supreme Representatives were found to be present as under:

CHARLES S. DAVIS, *Supreme Chancellor.*

WILLIAM LADEW, *Supreme Vice Chancellor.*

FRED E. WHEATON, *Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal.*

THOMAS D. MEARES, *Supreme Master of Exchequer.*

DOUGLAS. S. WRIGHT, *Supreme Inner Guard.*

HENRY M. WADSWORTH, *Supreme Outer Guard.*

*Past Supreme Chancellors*—JOHN J. BROWN, HENRY P. BROWN, THOMAS J. CARLING, PHILIP T. COLGROVE, BRIG S. YOUNG.

*Supreme Representatives*—AGATZ, ALLEN, ANDERSON, ARBENZ, BALLANTYNE, BALLREICH, BAXTER, BEANS, BECKFORD, BELL, BINNS, BLED SOE, BRANTLEY, BRISTOW, BROKAW, BROWN, BRUNT, BUCK, CABELL, CAIRNS, CONGER, CONNALLY, CONYBEARE, CRIST, CRITES, DARLAND, DICKINSON, DICKMAN, DINNIE, DOYNE, DUNCAN, ELLIS, ELTZ, ERWIN, FORBES, GATES, GILMAN, GROSSMAN, GUILD, HAMPTON, HARBER, HARP, HARRIS, HAWKINS, HEINRICHS, HELLER, HERREID, HILLER, HUNTER, HUTCHISON, JONES, KAHLERT, KELSEY, KERNS, KIMBALL, KING, KLINE, KNIGHT, LEWIS, LOFTIN, LOUCKS, LUMPKIN, MCCOY, MCCREARY, MCCUISH, McMILLEN, MACDONALD, MACGREGOR, MACINTYRE, MAXWELL, MEID, MENDELSON, MERRILL, MIDDLETON, MILAM, MOORE, MORRISON, MUIR, NUZUM, O'CONNOR, OTWELL, PATTERSON, PERDUE, PLUMMER, POLLARD, PRIEST, PUTNAM, QUICK, REEVE, REMY, RICHARDSON, RITCHIE, SALINGER, SCHOBERTH, SCHREIBER, SCHROEDER, SCHUCHARDT, SHARPE, SIMAN, SIMPSON, STEESE, STEIN, STEVENSON, STEWART (M. P. ), STEWART (Tenn.), STOUT, STRATTON, TAYLOR, THOMPSON, TOWERS, VAUGHN, VOGEL, WARD, WARNER, WEILAND, WEIR, WELCKER, WEST, WHARTON, WHITFIELD, WILLIAMS (Kans.), WILLIAMSON, WILSON (Nev.), WILLSON (N. C.), WILSON (Ont.), WINN, WOEHRLE, WOODWORTH, WORMWOOD.



### "THE DARKNESS OF DEATH."

The Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal presented and read the appended telegram:

MILWAUKEE, Wis., August 14, 1920.

FRED E. WHEATON, S. K. R. S., Minneapolis, Minn.

Mother did not regain consciousness. She passed away this morning. May I, through you, express to the Supreme Lodge my sincere appreciation for sympathy extended.

RICHARD S. WITTE.

At request of the Supreme Chancellor, the members of the Supreme Lodge stood in silence while Supreme Representative Bristow, of South Carolina, delivered an appropriate address on the death of the mother of Supreme Representative Witte.

Supreme Representative Doyne, of Arkansas, moved that "the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal wire the condolences of the Supreme Lodge to Supreme Representative Witte in his great bereavement," which motion prevailed unanimously.

Supreme Representative Beckford, of New Hampshire, moved, "that the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal be authorized to have delivered at the home of Supreme Representative Witte an appropriate floral tribute, in behalf of the Supreme Lodge," which motion prevailed unanimously.

The appended telegram was sent to "the home of a friend" wherein "the darkness of death" had entered:

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN., August 14, 1920.

RICHARD S. WITTE, S. R., 665 Thirty-fourth Street,  
Milwaukee, Wis.

DEAR DICK:

Your message conveying the sad intelligence that your beloved mother had been called to her eternal rest was received while the Supreme Lodge was assembled in evening session. The Supreme Lodge stood with bowed heads, in silent prayer, as an expression of sympathy for you in this great sorrow. I am directed to convey to you this expression of our deep sympathy.

FRED E. WHEATON, S. K. R. S.

### JOURNAL OF THE LAST DAY.

The Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal announced that before the convention adjourned *sine die* there would be placed on the desk of each Supreme Representative a printed form, which he requested be filled out by each Supreme Representative and left at his desk in order that the Daily Journal of the last day might be mailed to the home addresses of the Supreme Representatives.

### PYTHIAN PUBLICITY.

Supreme Representative Crites, of Missouri, addressed the Supreme Lodge on the need of early and adequate publicity

relative to the legislation of this convention, with special reference to the amendment adopted to the Supreme constitution reducing the minimum age for applicants for the ranks of knight-hood to 18 years.

### Special Press Committee.

The appended resolution was offered:

#### Document 167.

*Be it resolved by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias,* That a committee of three members be appointed to prepare an article for publication in the press of the United States and Canada giving information therein with reference to the age persons may apply for membership in the Knights of Pythias.

JOSEPH J. CRITES, *Mo.*  
HARRY A. THOMPSON, *Pa.*  
HENRY E. ELLIS, *Texas.*

On motion, the foregoing resolution was adopted, and the Supreme Chancellor announced the appointment of the following Special Committee on Pythian Publicity:

Supreme Representative Crites, *Missouri.*  
Supreme Representative Thompson, *Pennsylvania.*  
Supreme Representative Ellis, *Texas.*

(For report of this committee, presenting a special press article for publication in the newspapers of the United States and Canada, see document 213; for final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting report and approving the press article, see proceedings of the seventh day.)

### AN APPRECIATION—THE DONALDSON DISPLAY.

Supreme Representative Harris, of Idaho, called the attention of the Supreme Lodge to the emblematic Pythian display on the building of the L. S. Donaldson Company, with the suggestion that the excellence of this showing was entitled to an appropriate expression of appreciation by the Supreme Lodge, whereupon the subject matter was referred to the Special Committee on Resolutions.

### MINOR EXPENSES OF CONVENTION.

The appended resolution was offered and adopted:

#### Document 168.

WHEREAS, There are numerous expenses, such as stenographic work for committees, committee rooms, janitor services, waste paper baskets, etc., that are inconvenient to be provided for by specific appropriation in each instance; therefore,

*Be it resolved,* That the Supreme Master of Exchequer is authorized and directed to pay such expenses when approved by the chairman of the Finance Committee.

BENJ. D. BRANTLEY,  
*Acting Chairman, Committee on Finance.*

### WASTE BASKETS ORDERED SOLD.

On motion of Supreme Representative Richardson, of Maryland, it was ordered "that the waste baskets purchased for use of this convention be disposed of by the proper officers after adjournment of the convention."

### COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

On motion of Supreme Representative Erwin, of Louisiana, the Supreme Lodge went into "committee of the whole" for the purpose of giving consideration to the report of the Committee on Ways and Means, and the general subject matter of the disposition of the Pythian War Relief Fund.

Supreme Representative Herreid, of South Dakota, in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee arose.

### WAR RELIEF FUND.

The Supreme Lodge was called to order by the Supreme Chancellor, whereupon Supreme Representative Herreid, of South Dakota, on behalf of the committee of the whole, reported that said committee had considered the report of the Committee on Ways and Means, and recommended its adoption—which report, as here appended, was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### **Document 169.**

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred that portion of the Supreme Chancellor's report under the heading, "War Relief Fund," and also, "The Biennial Report of Pythian War Relief Commission," would respectfully submit the following report:

The greater portion of the report of the Supreme Chancellor upon this subject requires no action from the Supreme Lodge, and the committee recommends that the action of the Supreme Chancellor and the War Relief Committee as covered by the report of the Supreme Chancellor be concurred in and approved.

We find that the War Relief Commission has really made no definite recommendation to the Supreme Lodge as to the future course to be taken with reference to the War Relief Fund. At page 42 of the report of the committee under the heading, "Important Statement by the War Relief Commission," we find incorporated this statement from the commission: "The commission is not in position where it can predict action on the part of the Supreme Lodge, but the members of the commission fraternally and respectfully suggest to the membership of the order at large, that, in view of the fact that this fund is subscribed and paid for a particular purpose, when the reason for that purpose has passed, there seems to be but one course to pursue, namely, to return the balance to the grand lodges in such proportion as it was contributed, with direction that it be returned in like manner to the subordinate lodges." This statement of the commission is incorporated just after the report of the meeting of the commission held at Philadelphia, January, 1919.

On page 57 of the report of the committee in relation to the record of proceedings of the meeting held in New York, we find a resolution to have been adopted by the commission at said meeting in the words as follows: "That, in our judgment, based upon the experiences following all wars, applications for relief are liable to continue; that the War Relief Fund should be kept intact for the purpose of affording relief as contemplated in the statutes; and that the administration of the fund be continued under the charge of the War Relief Commission."

The Supreme Chancellor, in dealing with the subject, indicates that he is not wholly in accord with the commission in the attitude taken as indicated by the resolution last referred to, and says: "My judgment is, the fund be redistributed to the domains, the Supreme Lodge should enact legislation requiring that the fund be held intact for War Relief purposes to the members of the order in the service of the World's War and to their families and dependents until such time as the use of the fund for War Relief purposes has become exhausted, and, further, that the fund shall be administered by the grand lodge officers in the same manner the Supreme Lodge provided for the administration of the fund by and through the Pythian War Relief Commission."

It will be noted that the War Relief Commission by the resolution adopted makes no specific recommendation as to the length of time the War Relief Fund should be held by the commission.

Your committee is of the opinion that the time has now arrived when the War Relief Fund should be returned to the respective grand domains in the proportions to which they may be legally entitled after taking into account the fund that has already been used for relief as indicated by the report of the commission. Relief can be more speedily granted through the several grand domains and with less expense to the order than it has cost to administer the funds under the War Relief Commission.

We are advised that a considerable portion of the War Relief Fund is invested in Government Bonds and if the Supreme Master of Exchequer be required to convert the bonds into cash in order to return to the several domains cash in the proportion in which they are entitled thereto, it would result in considerable loss to the domains owing to the fact that the Government Bonds have a market value below their par value. Your committee recommends that the Supreme Master of Exchequer be authorized to return the bonds to the several grand domains in lieu of cash and that the bonds be received by the several grand domains at their par value. Your committee is of the opinion that the Supreme Lodge cannot pass legislation to compel the grand domains to use the fund in any particular manner; but we are disposed to concur in the recommendation made by the Supreme Chancellor that said funds should, in the judgment of the Supreme Lodge, be held intact by the several grand domains for War Relief purposes.

*Therefore be it resolved,* That the Supreme Master of Exchequer be and he is hereby directed as soon as he can conveniently do so after the adjournment of this convention of the Supreme Lodge, immediately return to the several grand domains in the Supreme domain their proportion of the War Relief Funds as contributed by the several domains, together with the accrued interest thereon, and, that he first deduct from the fund the amount that, at the time he returns the fund, has been paid for relief.

*And be it further resolved,* That for the purposes of returning the fund to the grand domains that the Supreme Master of Exchequer be and is hereby authorized to make the payment of the amount due the several domains in Government Bonds without being required to convert them into cash. And that said grand domains be required to receive such bonds as the commission now holds in lieu of cash.



*Be it further resolved*, That it is the sense of the Supreme Lodge that the several grand domains be and are hereby requested to retain their respective proportions of the War Relief Fund intact for the purpose of such War Relief as may be necessary in the future, until such a time as it may be ascertained that there is no further need for such relief. And be it further resolved, that in case of any and all individual contributions that were made direct to the Supreme Master of Exchequer, that the Supreme Master of Exchequer be and is hereby directed to return such individual gifts to the various individual donors; and in case of the individual gifts made through the grand keeper of records and seal, or the grand master of exchequer, of any of the domains, to the Supreme Master of Exchequer, that such individual gifts be returned to the grand keeper of records and seal, or the grand master of exchequer, or his successor in office, who transmitted the said individual gifts to the Supreme Master of Exchequer.

*Be it further resolved*, That the Committee on Judiciary be and it is hereby directed to report such legislation as may be necessary to carry out these recommendations and resolutions.

*And be it further resolved*, That so much of the Pythian War Relief Fund, some \$30,000, more or less, and which is known as the Haverly litigation pending in the courts of the State of Illinois, is not included or to be affected by this resolution.

WILLIAM K. WHITFIELD, *Chairman*.  
ANDREW G. PATTERSON, *Secretary*.

(The Supreme Lodge took no final action, specifically, on this report; see action taken on document 218.)

### MEMBERS EXCUSED.

On request the following were excused from further attendance at this convention:

Past Supreme Chancellor Colgrove.  
Supreme Representative Williams, *New Mexico*.  
Supreme Representative Newbury, *Arizona*.  
Supreme Representative MacGregor, *New York*.  
Supreme Representative Gyles, *South Carolina*.

### NOTICE OF ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Supreme Representative Harp, of Maryland, the Supreme Lodge set "Tuesday as the day of adjournment" of the convention.

### DOCUMENTS ORDERED PRINTED.

Supreme Representative Beckford, of New Hampshire, moved that all reports of committees and all resolutions handed to the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal be printed in the Daily Journal of this day.

### FOR SALE—AN HONORED JEWEL.

The appended resolution was offered and referred to the Committee on Finance:

**Document 170.**

WHEREAS, The late Henry Clay Berry, Past Supreme Chancellor, at the time of his death, was being cared for by Mrs. Fanny Hargus, of Chicago, Ill., and

WHEREAS, The said Mrs. Hargus became the owner of Brother Berry's jewel, and by reason of straightened circumstances desires to dispose of said jewel, and has been offered one hundred dollars for the metal therein, and offers the same to the Supreme Lodge for said sum; now, in order that said jewel may be preserved,

*Be it resolved*, That the sum of one hundred dollars be paid to the said Mrs. Fannie Hargus therefor.

HARRY A. SCHOBERTH, *Ky.*  
OLEONDER H. POLLARD, *Ky.*  
WILLIAM G. EDENS, *Ill.*

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this resolution on recommendation of the Committee on Finance, see proceedings of the sixth day, morning session.)

**PAYMENT OF DUES IN ADVANCE.**

The appended resolution was offered, and ordered to lie over and to be printed:

**Document 171.**

WHEREAS, The payment of dues not in advance, but "at the end of stated periods," as now required by Supreme law, works a direct injury upon our members, for the following reasons:

1. Because this payment of dues "at the end of stated periods", usually quarterly, covers the same period of delinquency (about three months), and therefore places in jeopardy and prevents our members from securing weekly and funeral benefits which are permitted by Supreme law, where they are three months in arrears for dues, to the injury of our members and lodges.

2. Because this payment of dues "at the end of stated periods," likewise places in jeopardy and deprives our members of the semi-annual password, because (as now in general operation) when our brothers are from one to six months in arrears for dues, they are often deprived of the semi-annual password by our Supreme law which requires that quarterly dues shall not be demanded until after the expiration of three months or other period, to the injury of our members and lodges; therefore,

*Be it resolved by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias*, That a special committee of five be appointed to consider the subject matter of this resolution and the resolution contained in the next succeeding document (172), draw the necessary amendments and present same with recommendations at the next convention of the Supreme Lodge.

ROBERT G. LOUCKS, *Calif.*  
HENRY A. HEINRICH, *N. J.*

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, rejecting the foregoing resolution, see proceedings of the sixth day, evening session.)

**ABOLISH SEMI-ANNUAL PASSWORD.**

The appended resolution was offered, and ordered to lie over and to be printed:



OFFICIAL PICTURE SUPREME TEMPLE PYTHIAN SISTERS, CONVENTION OF 1920.





**Document 172.**

WHEREAS, By reason of the above statements requiring the payment of dues in advance, a semi-annual password is unnecessary and useless and for the following and additional reasons:

1. Because a receipt in the form similar to that authorized and used by the D. O. K. K. would answer every conceivable, practical purpose of the semi-annual password, and make it useless and unnecessary.

2. Because the members, themselves (90 per cent of whom do not attend lodge regularly), often forget the semi-annual password, and being embarrassed thereby, often remain away from lodge, to the injury of our members and lodges.

3. Because many subordinate lodges are often delinquent in securing the new semi-annual password, by reason of the fact that the lodge officers are slow in making semi-annual reports and remittances of per capita tax to the grand lodges, which negligence prevents one during such delinquency (although paid in advance) from receiving from his own lodge the semi-annual password, to the injury of our members and lodges; therefore,

*Be it resolved by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias, That a special committee of five be appointed to draw all amendments for the above purposes and the preceding document (171) and present same with recommendation for consideration at the next convention of this Supreme Lodge.*

ROBERT G. LOUCKS, *Calif.*  
HENRY A. HEINRICH, *N. J.*

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, ordering that the foregoing resolution lie on the table, see proceedings of the sixth day, evening session.)

**DUPLICATE G. L. CHARTER.**

The Committee on Warrants and Charters submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

**Document 173.**

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Warrants and Charters would respectfully submit the following report:

WHEREAS, the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal has issued a duplicate charter to the grand domain of Illinois, by direction of the Supreme Chancellor, and said charter was issued in conformity with Pythian law;

We, therefore, recommend that the same be approved.

W. FRANK STOUT, *Chairman.*

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report, see proceedings of the sixth day, evening session.)

**INDIAN BLOOD AND MEMBERSHIP.**

The Committee on Judiciary submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

**Document 174.**

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred that portion of the Supreme Chancellor's report appearing under the title "Indian Blood and Membership," would respectfully submit the following report:

The Supreme Chancellor holds that the phrase "white male" in the Supreme constitution, limiting the sources from which our membership may be recruited, serves as an inhibition upon the admission of persons possessing Indian blood in their veins. In this construction of our law we concur, and also agree with him that thereby many desirable persons, of Indian blood, may be denied admission. To remedy this situation, and in line with the Supreme Chancellor's recommendation, we herewith submit an amendment to section 6 of article xii of the Supreme constitution, and respectfully recommend its adoption.

BENJAMIN F. BLEDSOE, *Chairman*.

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report, see proceedings of the sixth day, evening session.)

### **Proposed Constitutional Amendment.**

The Committee on Judiciary presented the following proposition, which was passed on first and second reading, and ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### **Document 175.**

*Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias,* That article xii, section 6, of the Supreme constitution be and the same is hereby amended:

By adding thereto immediately after the words, "Supreme Being" the words: "Provided further, that the word white, as hereinabove used, shall not be construed so as to exclude persons merely because they possess American Indian blood."

BENJAMIN F. BLEDSOE, *Chairman*.

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, agreeing to the foregoing proposed amendment on third reading, see proceedings of the sixth day, evening session.)

### **DELINQUENT AND INACTIVE MEMBERS.**

The Committee on Judiciary submitted the appended report, with an accompanying substitute proposition, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### **Document 176.**

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred document 22, would respectfully submit the following report:

The purpose of this proposition is to provide a new method of excluding members from the order who are so unmindful of their obligations to it as to lapse in the payment of their dues. In a word, it provides for a considerable period of probation, after default suffered, and finally, when patience shall have ceased longer to be a virtue, it is decreed that the recalcitrant shall be expelled from all the rights, benefits and privileges of the order. We realize that the legislation constitutes considerable of an innovation with respect to our present conception of mere "suspension" for non-payment of dues. Your committee, however, have given the matter careful and conscientious consideration and are firmly of the belief that the legislation, if enacted and if thereafter administered in the spirit intended, will prove highly beneficial to our institution. We have hopes that it will have a measurable tendency to reduce lapsations because of non-payment of dues to a minimum.

Its scope renders necessary numerous amendments to our statutory laws. These we have endeavored to draft and tender them herewith, recommending their adoption.

Incidental to the general plan and purpose of the departure from the present system which is involved, it has been determined by your committee that an annual password should be substituted for our present semi-annual password. Legislation looking to this end is also appended. We therefore recommend the adoption of the proposition involved in document 22, subject to certain changes therein deemed expedient by us and which have been incorporated into the legislation appended hereto.

BENJAMIN F. BLEDSON, *Chairman.*

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report under special order, see proceedings of the sixth day, afternoon session.)

### Substitute Proposition.

The Committee on Judiciary presented the following proposition as a substitute for the proposition contained in document 22, which was passed on first and second reading, and ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### Document 177.

A proposition to amend part ii, division iii, chapter vi, section 229a, of the Supreme statutes, entitled, "Dues, Fines and Assessments."

*Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias,* That part ii, division iii, chapter vi, section 229a, of the Supreme statutes be and the same is hereby amended:

229a. When a member of a subordinate lodge shall be in arrears for dues, fines and assessments in an amount equal to one year's dues, the master of finance of his lodge shall notify him by registered mail to his last known address that unless such amount is paid within thirty days from the receipt of the notice, his name will be placed upon the list of delinquent members of the lodge. At the expiration of the thirty days, if the amount of said dues, fines and assessments is unpaid, the name of and the amount due by the member shall be read in open lodge and the chancellor commander shall thereupon order the name of the member placed upon the list of delinquent members of the lodge. A member whose name is on the delinquent list shall be entitled, subject to the by-laws of the lodge of which he is a member, to all privileges of membership except those of holding office.

229b. The form of notice to be sent to the member in arrears shall be as follows:

Dear Brother.....

It is my duty to notify you that you are indebted to.....Lodge No..... Knights of Pythias, in the sum of \$..... and that unless said amount or a portion thereof is paid within thirty days from the receipt of this notice, your name and the amount due by you will be read in open lodge, and you will then be listed as a delinquent member. Probably pressure of business affairs has caused you to neglect this important matter, and now having your attention directed to it, I am sure you will give it your immediate attention. Be sure to attend the next convention of your lodge on the..... day of..... Your brothers will extend you a hearty welcome.

Fraternally yours,

.....  
Master of Finance.

229c. When a member's name shall have remained upon the list of delinquent members for a period of eleven months, the master of finance of the lodge shall send a letter by registered mail to the delinquent member at his last known address, notifying him of the amount of his indebtedness to the lodge, including that for the current year, and, that if the same be not paid within thirty days from the receipt of the notice, his name and the amount of his indebtedness will be read in open lodge, and his name placed upon the list of inactive members of the lodge. At the expiration of the thirty days,

if the amount of said dues, fines and assessments is unpaid, the name of and the amount due by the member shall be read in open lodge, and the chancellor commander shall thereupon order the name of the member to be placed upon the list of inactive members of the lodge. A member who is on the inactive list of his lodge shall not be entitled to any of the benefits or privileges of the order, unless otherwise provided in the by-laws of his lodge.

229d. The form of notice to be sent by the master of finance shall be as follows:

Dear Brother.....

It is my duty to notify you that you are indebted to.....Lodge No....., Knights of Pythias, in the sum of \$....., and unless the same is paid within thirty days from the receipt of this notice, your name and the amount of your indebtedness will be read in open lodge, after which your name will be transferred from the list of delinquent members to the list of inactive members of the lodge. Surely, my brother, you have not given this subject the consideration that its importance deserves. If your failure to pay has not been willful and has been caused by financial inability, come to the next convention of your lodge, make that fact known to your brothers and see how quick they will be to exhibit their friendship for you by cancelling your indebtedness to the lodge. Do not lay this notice aside, but at once send a check for your indebtedness. You may have forgotten your brothers but they have not forgotten you, and they will be happy to see you at the next convention of the lodge, which will be held on the.....day of.....

Fraternally yours,

.....  
Master of Finance.

229e. When a member's name shall have remained upon the list of inactive members for a period of eleven months, the master of finance of the lodge shall send a letter by registered mail to the inactive member at his last known address, notifying him of the amount of his indebtedness to the lodge, including that for the current year, and, that if the same be not paid within thirty days from the receipt of the notice, the charge of conduct unbecoming a Pythian Knight will be filed against him, and, after due trial thereon, if found guilty, he will be expelled from the order.

229f. The form of notice to be sent by the master of finance shall be as follows:

Dear Brother.....

It becomes my duty to notify you for the last time that you are indebted to.....Lodge No....., Knights of Pythias, in the sum of \$..... In your application for membership in the order, you promised to abide by its laws, rules and regulations. The amount of your arrearages to the lodge constitutes a debt for which the lodge can sue you in a court of law. Your fellow members are so averse to severing the fraternal ties that bind you to them that they have determined to give you one more opportunity to do your duty as a man and Pythian. At the regular convention of the lodge to be held on the.....day of....., your name and the amount of your indebtedness to the lodge will be read, and unless such indebtedness is then and there paid, we will be compelled to prefer charges against you upon which you will be tried after due notice, and, if convicted, you will be expelled from the lodge and the order. You are again admonished that if your default is caused by financial distress and you will show your confidence in your brothers by coming to the convention of the lodge and making that fact known, you will find that they will be more willing to afford you relief than you are to ask it.

Fraternally yours,

.....  
Master of Finance.

229g. When the name of a member shall have remained on the list of inactive members of the lodge for a period of twelve months, at the first regular convention of the lodge or so soon thereafter as practicable, the master of finance shall read in open lodge the name and amount of indebtedness of such member, together with the last notice sent to the member as provided in section 229f, and, unless such indebtedness is then and there paid, or the same be remitted or cancelled by a vote of two-thirds of the members present, the chancellor commander shall cause to be prepared and filed against the inactive member charges in writing, a copy of which shall be served upon the member either in person or by registered mail at least ten days before trial. The trial shall be conducted as provided in chapter



iv, section 284 of the Supreme statutes, with the exception that in the event that the charges are sustained by a vote of two-thirds of the members present, the offending member shall be declared expelled from the lodge and the order.

229h. The chancellor commander of every subordinate lodge shall, immediately after his installation, appoint three active members of the lodge to serve during his term of office, who shall constitute the committee on delinquent members, whose duty it shall be to personally interview each member whose name is on the list of delinquent members of the lodge and endeavor to persuade such member to pay his indebtedness to the lodge. At the same time and in like manner, the chancellor commander shall appoint three active members of the lodge to serve during his term of office, who shall constitute the committee on inactive members, whose duty it shall be to personally interview each member whose name is on the list of inactive members of the lodge, and endeavor to persuade him to pay his indebtedness to the lodge. The committees so appointed shall make their reports at each regular convention of the lodge.

229i. No subordinate lodge shall be chargeable with or required to pay either to the grand lodge or to the Supreme Lodge the per capita tax upon a member of the lodge whose name is on the list of inactive members.

229j. All monies recovered or received from delinquent, inactive or expelled members by reason of arrearages shall be turned into the exchequer of the lodge and become the property of the lodge.

229k. All statutes, or parts of statutes, conflicting in anywise with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

BENJAMIN F. BLEDSON, *Chairman*.

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, passing the foregoing proposition on third reading, under special order, see proceedings of the sixth day, afternoon session.)

### ANNUAL PASSWORD.

The Committee on Judiciary presented the following proposition, which was passed on first and second reading, and ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### Document 178.

A proposition to amend part ii, division iv, chapter i of the Supreme statutes, entitled, "Semi-annual Password."

*Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias, That part ii, division iv, chapter i, of the Supreme statutes be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows:*

### ANNUAL PASSWORD.

#### CHAPTER I.

##### *Promulgation, Issue and Use.*

298. It shall be the duty of the Supreme Chancellor, during the month of October in each year, to select an annual password for the use of all subordinate lodges of the order during the ensuing annual term.

299. The Supreme Chancellor, on or before the first day of November in each year, shall transmit, through the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal, the annual password, to the grand chancellor of such grand lodge, not under suspension, and to each deputy Supreme Chancellor who may be in charge of one or more subordinate lodges not within the domain of a grand lodge, by registered mail to his address as shown upon the books of the Supreme Lodge. In the transmission of the annual password, the Supreme

Keeper of Records and Seal shall use such cipher as the Supreme Chancellor may direct or approve, and shall exercise the utmost care to prevent such password from becoming known to any unauthorized person.

300. Each grand chancellor who may receive the annual password under the provisions of the preceding section, shall, on or before the first day of December of each year, transmit such password to the deputy grand chancellor or other installing officer of each subordinate lodge within the domain, not under suspension; provided, that such annual password shall not be transmitted to any deputy grand chancellor or other installing officer who shall not have filed, during the then current annual term, in the office of the grand keeper of records and seal, a certificate from the subordinate lodge of which such deputy or installing officer is a member, that he has paid all dues or other indebtedness to his lodge to the beginning of such term, and that he is in good standing in such subordinate lodge.

301. In the transmission of the annual password, the grand keeper of records and seal shall use such cipher as the grand chancellor may direct or approve, and shall use the utmost care to prevent such password from becoming known to any unauthorized person. Each deputy Supreme Chancellor shall transmit the annual password received by him to the installing officer of each subordinate lodge under his charge, and all the provisions of this section shall apply, so far as may be, to such transmission.

302. The annual password shall be communicated by the district deputy grand chancellor or other installing officer to the chancellor commander of each subordinate lodge under his charge, immediately after installation.

303. Each chancellor commander shall, upon application therefor, personally and orally communicate the current annual password to any member of the order who has attained the rank of knight, who is not on the inactive list, and who is otherwise in good standing in the subordinate lodge over which such chancellor commander presides, and to none others, except as provided in this statute.

304. Upon presentation of an official receipt for all indebtedness to his lodge to the beginning of the current annual term, to any chancellor commander, by one who shall, by personal identification or examination in the secret work, or both, prove himself to be the person designated in such official receipt, then such chancellor commander shall, personally and orally, communicate to him the annual password for the current annual term; provided, that, should the person presenting such official receipt be intoxicated or insane, then such chancellor commander may refuse to communicate to him the annual password, but in each case he shall at once notify the chancellor commander of the lodge issuing such receipt of his action and the reason therefor.

305. The use of the annual password shall be at all times strictly limited by the provisions of the rituals of the order.

306. The Supreme Chancellor may at any time, when in his judgment the good of the order shall so require, abrogate and annul the annual password then in use; but, in such case, he shall at the same time select and promulgate, in the manner provided in sections 298 and 299 of this statute, a new password for the use of subordinate lodges during the remainder of the current annual term.

307. The terms "outer guard" and "master at arms," as particularly designated in the obligation, are hereby construed to include the corresponding officers of the Supreme lodge and of grand lodges, so far as the same relate to officers qualified to receive the annual password.

BENJAMIN F. BLEDSOE, *Chairman*.

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, passing this proposition on third reading, see proceedings of the sixth day, afternoon session.)

### GOOD STANDING.

The Committee on Judiciary presented the following proposition, which was passed on first and second reading, and ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### Document 179.

A proposition to amend part ii, division iii, chapter viii, section 236, of the Supreme statutes, entitled "Good Standing."

*Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias,* That part ii, division iii, chapter viii, section 236, of the Supreme statutes be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

236. A page, esquire or knight shall be considered to be in good standing in the subordinate lodge of which he is a member:

- (a) If he is not under suspension from membership.
- (b) If he has not renounced the order.
- (c) If he is not more than twenty-four months in arrears for dues.

BENJAMIN F. BLEDSON, *Chairman.*

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, passing this proposition on third reading, see proceedings of the sixth day, afternoon session.)

### SUSPENSION AND REINSTATEMENT.

The Committee on Judiciary presented the following proposition, which was passed on first and second reading, and ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### Document 180.

A proposition to repeal part ii, division iii, chapter ix, sections 241, 242 and 243, of the Supreme statutes, entitled "Suspension and Reinstatement."

*Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias,* That part ii, division iii, chapter ix, sections 241, 242 and 243, of the Supreme statutes be and the same is hereby repealed.

BENJAMIN F. BLEDSON, *Chairman.*

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, ordering that this proposition lie on the table, see proceedings of the sixth day, afternoon session.)

### REINSTATEMENT FEE.

The Committee on Judiciary presented the following proposition, which was passed on first and second reading, and ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### Document 181.

A proposition to repeal part ii, division iii, chapter v, sections 221 and 222, of the Supreme statutes, entitled "Fees."

*Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias,* That part ii, division iii, chapter v, sections 221 and 222, of the Supreme statutes be and the same is hereby repealed.

BENJAMIN F. BLEDSON, *Chairman.*

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, ordering that this proposition lie on the table, see proceedings of the sixth day, afternoon session.)

### SUSPENSION STATUTES REPEALED.

The Committee on Judiciary presented the following proposition, which was passed on first and second reading, and ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### Document 182.

A proposition to repeal part ii, division iii, chapter vi, sections 229a, 230, 230a, 231 and 232 of the Supreme statutes, entitled "Dues, Fines and Assessments."

*Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias,* That part ii, division iii, chapter vi, sections 229a, 230, 230a, 231 and 232, of the Supreme statutes be and the same is hereby repealed.

BENJAMIN F. BLEDSON, *Chairman.*

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, passing this proposition on third reading, see proceedings of the sixth day, afternoon session.)

### MEMBERSHIP CARD.

The Committee on Judiciary submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### Document 183.

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred documents 25 and 26, introduced by the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal, have had the same under consideration, giving them the attention of which they are deserving.

We believe the plan proposed by Brother Wheaton for the elimination of the numerous "cards" which are now to be found in the order, is an admirable one, and with the exception of section 252, as proposed by him, we recommend the adoption of both propositions.

With respect to document 24, also submitted by Brother Wheaton, its consideration will be rendered unnecessary if the Supreme Lodge shall adopt the proposition of Brother Cabell containing document 24 heretofore submitted, and favorable action on which has been recommended by this committee.

We therefore recommend that section 252 be stricken from document 26, and as so amended that the proposition do pass.

BENJAMIN F. BLEDSON, *Chairman.*

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report and passing the propositions contained in documents 25 and 26 on third reading, see proceedings of the sixth day, evening session.)

### QUALIFICATION—MINIMUM AGE.

The Committee on Judiciary presented the following proposition, which was passed on first and second reading, and ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### Document 184.

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Judiciary would respectfully submit the following report:

In order to bring our Supreme statutes into conformity with the Supreme constitution, by virtue of the amendment fixing the minimum age limit, your committee herewith presents an amendment to section 195 of the Supreme statutes and recommends its adoption:



*Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias, That part ii, division iii, chapter iv, section 195, of the Supreme statutes be and the same is hereby amended.*

195. An applicant for the ranks of knighthood must possess the following qualifications, which shall be stated in his application:

- (a) He must be a white male.
- (b) He must be of good moral character.
- (c) He must be not less than eighteen years of age.
- (d) He must be a believer in a Supreme Being.
- (e) He must be in good health and sound in mind and body, except that a maimed person may become eligible by dispensation.
- (f) He must be able to read and write.
- (g) He must not be a professional gambler, saloon-keeper, bartender or dealer in spirituous, vinous or malt liquors; provided that this paragraph shall not apply to druggists who are legally engaged in the sale of liquors for medical, mechanical or sacramental purposes only.

(h) He must believe in the maintenance of order and the upholding of constituted authority in the government in which he lives.

(i) He must not have been rejected by any subordinate lodge as an applicant for the ranks of knighthood within the six months preceding his application.

This act shall take effect upon its adoption.

BENJAMIN F. BLEDSOE, *Chairman*.

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, passing this proposition on third reading, see proceedings of the sixth day, evening session.)

### MINIMUM FEE, \$25.

The Committee on Judiciary submitted the appended proposition, which was passed on first and second reading, and ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### Document 185.

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred document 67, and in connection with which your committee was instructed to prepare an amendment to the Supreme constitution increasing the minimum fee for membership to twenty-five dollars, beg leave to report that the amendment mentioned is appended hereto, and we recommend its adoption:

BENJAMIN F. BLEDSOE, *Chairman*.

### Proposed Constitutional Amendment.

A proposition to amend article xii, section 6, of the Supreme constitution, entitled, "Subordinate Lodges."

*Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias, That article xii, section 6, of the Supreme constitution be and the same is hereby amended:*

By striking out the last portion of said section 6, beginning with the words "and provided further," in the fourth last line, and by inserting in place thereof the following words, viz:—"And provided further, that the fees for the ranks of knighthood shall not be less than \$25.00 in the currency of the United States of America, or its equivalent in the currency of the country in which the lodge is located."

BENJAMIN F. BLEDSOE, *Chairman*.

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, ordering that the foregoing proposition lie on the table, on call of the roll, see proceedings of the sixth day, evening session.)

### NATIONALIZE PYTHIAN HOMES.

The Committee on State of the Order submitted the appended report and resolution, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### Document 186.

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on State of the Order to which was referred document 37, entitled "Nationalize Pythian Homes," would respectfully submit the following report:

Inasmuch as this committee, in another report submitted herewith, has recommended the appointment of a committee of two to ascertain, among other things, the sentiment of the grand domains in which Pythian homes are located, upon the question of the nationalization of some or all of such homes,

Your committee recommends the following as a substitute for document 37:

*Resolved*, That if such committee as shall be appointed to ascertain the sentiment of grand domains with respect to the question of the nationalization of some or all of the existing Pythian homes, shall find the general sentiment of the grand domains to be favorable to the proposition, that then such committee shall prepare and include in its report to the Supreme Lodge, proposed legislation for the acquisition, establishment and management of such homes under the supervision and expenses of the Supreme Lodge, and for the raising of funds for such purposes.

WILLIAM GROSSMAN, *Chairman*.

WILLIAM D. QUICK, *Secretary*.

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report and resolution, see proceedings of the sixth day, evening session.)

### HISTORICAL PHOTOGRAPHS.

The Committee on State of the Order submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### Document 187.

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on State of the Order to which was referred document 80, entitled "Historical Photographs," would respectfully submit the following report:

It recommends: 1. That the matter be referred to the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal for investigation as to the authenticity and historical accuracy of the contents of the photogravure and report the result in writing to the Supreme Chancellor.

2. That if such report shall show such contents to be authentic and historically accurate, such fact may be endorsed upon the photogravure in the name of the Supreme Lodge by either or both of its aforementioned officers;

Provided, That any and all persons, firms, corporations or associations having any right, title or interest in the photogravure, or in the contents thereof or in their compilation, shall assign to the Supreme Lodge, Knights of Pythias, all copyright of such photogravure and of the documents, photographs, and any other matter contained therein, so that the Supreme Lodge shall become and be the sole owner of such copyright, and that statutory

copyright of said photogravure and of the material contained therein, shall immediately thereupon be obtained in the name of the Supreme Lodge in all countries in which Pythian lodges now exist.

Provided, further, that the grand lodge of the grand domain of the District of Columbia shall thereupon be granted for a term of twenty-five years the sole and exclusive license for its own use and benefit or for the use and benefit of its subordinate lodges, to print and publish and to sell such printed copies of said photogravure in all the countries above referred to; reserving, however, in the Supreme Lodge, the right, during the period of such license, to reproduce such photogravure or any part thereof in its official publications.

The license above referred to shall be personal to the grand lodge of the District of Columbia and shall not be assignable.

WILLIAM GROSSMAN, *Chairman.*  
WILLIAM D. QUICK, *Secretary.*

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report, see proceedings of the sixth day, evening session.)

### HOME LODGE ENDORSED.

The Committee on State of the Order submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### Document 188.

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on State of the Order, to which was referred document 107, entitled "Home Lodges Endorsed," would respectfully submit the following report:

We recommend its adoption.

WILLIAM GROSSMAN, *Chairman.*  
WILLIAM D. QUICK, *Secretary.*

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report, see proceedings of the sixth day, evening session.)

### INSTALLING OFFICER TO COMMUNICATE S. A. P. W.

The Committee on State of the Order submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### Document 189.

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on State of the Order, to which was referred document 109, entitled "Installing Officer to Communicate S. A. P. W.," would respectfully submit the following report:

We unanimously recommend its adoption:

WILLIAM GROSSMAN, *Chairman.*  
WILLIAM D. QUICK, *Secretary.*

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report, see proceedings of the sixth day, evening session.)

### BENEVOLENT FUND—\$1.00 PER MEMBER.

The Committee on State of the Order submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

**Document 190.**

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on State of the Order, to which was referred document 112, entitled, "Benevolent Fund—\$1.00 Per Member," would respectfully submit the following report:

We unanimously recommend that it be not adopted.

WILLIAM GROSSMAN, *Chairman.*

WILLIAM D. QUICK, *Secretary.*

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report, see proceedings of the sixth day, evening session.)

**FLAG CEREMONY REVISED.**

The Committee on Judiciary submitted the appended report and proposition, which was passed on first and second reading, and ordered to lie over and to be printed:

**Document 191.**

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred that portion of the Supreme Chancellor's report, entitled, "The Flag Ceremony," together with documents 23, 34, and 35, would respectfully submit the following report:

All these matters concern the tribute of respect to be paid to the Flag of the country, at the opening and closing of each subordinate lodge.

From the several suggestions tendered respecting this patriotic ceremony, we have endeavored to provide a procedure at once dignified, timely and appropriate, both for the opening and closing ceremonies; and also for those members who enter or retire in the interim. In our judgment the "flag ceremony" is improperly placed in the statutes, being somewhat inartistically and undignifiedly appended to a section merely providing for the display and safe-keeping of the subordinate lodge warrant or charter.

The importance of the subject-matter involved justifies, in our judgment, a rearrangement of the legislation thereon.

We therefore recommend that all that portion of section 180 of the Supreme statutes, following the words, "Five Dollars," be repealed.

We also recommend that the Supreme statutes be amended, by adding to chapter v, division vi, part i, a new section, to be known as section 381b, as follows:

*Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias,* That a new section, to be known as section 381b, be added to chapter v, division vi, part i, Supreme statutes, to read as follows:

381b. During the opening ceremony of a subordinate lodge, at the place indicated in the cipher ritual the chancellor commander shall instruct the master at arms as follows: "Master at arms, you will retire to the ante-room and bring in the Flag of our country."

The master at arms then retires to the ante-room where he will procure the flag, previously prepared on a staff, bringing it unfurled into the castle hall. The master at arms will advance to the center of the castle hall in front of the altar, facing the chancellor commander.

The chancellor commander will then command: "Attention! Join me in saluting the Flag of our country." All members will then salute the Flag in unison with the chancellor commander (using the right hand military salute), at the same time exclaiming: "*Forever may it wave!*"

The master at arms will then place the Flag at the right of the station of the chancellor commander, in a socket prepared for it, where it will remain throughout the session.



During the closing ceremony, and immediately following the closing ode, the chancellor commander will say, "Master at arms, return the Flag of our country to its resting place." Thereupon the master at arms, with the Flag, will assume the same position in front of the altar as in the opening ceremonies, and the salute to the Flag will be given in the same manner and form as in the opening ceremonies. The salute having been given, the master at arms will then return the Flag to the property room.

1. The Flag ceremony, as incorporated into the official opening and closing ceremonies, is an outward and visible sign of loyalty and devotion to our country, and will be conducted with deference and dignity.

2. If possible, the National anthem will be played when the master at arms enters or retires with the Flag.

3. The chancellor commander, before ordering the master at arms to bring in or return the Flag, may appoint two members to act as a color guard to escort the Flag to and from the castle-hall. This guard shall walk one on each side of the master at arms, armed with a drawn sword at carry. At the command, "Attention," by the chancellor commander, the color guard will bring their swords to present, as for non-commissioned officers (raise and carry the sword to the front, base of the hilt as high as the chin and 6 inches in front of the neck, edge to the left, point 6 inches farther to the front than the hilt, thumb extended on right of the grip, all fingers grasping the grip). As soon as the salute has been given by the members, the guard will bring their swords to carry.

4. The Flag ceremony will be used at all open or public sessions held by a subordinate lodge.

5. A member entering the lodge, after the lodge has been declared open for the dispatch of business, shall proceed to the altar, and, before giving any sign, salute the Flag, without exclamation. A member retiring from the lodge before the closing thereof, shall, without exclamation, salute the Flag before giving any sign.

*And be it further enacted*, That all that portion of section 180, Supreme statutes, following the words, "Five Dollars," be and the same is hereby repealed.

BENJAMIN F. BLEDSOE, *Chairman*.

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, amending the foregoing proposition and passing same as amended on third reading, see proceedings of the sixth day, evening session.)

### "TRANSFER, SUSPENSION, REINSTATEMENT"—S. K. R. S.

The Committee on Judiciary submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### Document 192.

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred the matters appearing in the report of the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal, entitled, "Transfer of Membership," "Reinstatement of Pages and Esquires," "Suspension Certificate Necessary for Reinstatement in a Sister Lodge," "Suspension Certificate," and "Suspension Certificate Canceled," would respectfully submit the following report:

Upon careful consideration of the matters embraced therein, we approve of the portions of the report of the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal above adverted to; in our judgment no legislation with respect to the same is needed. Indeed, in view of legislation introduced and approved of by us at this session of the Supreme Lodge, and assuming its adoption, most of the things referred to in the excerpts mentioned, become mere moot questions.

BENJAMIN F. BLEDSOE, *Chairman*.

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report, see proceedings of the sixth day, evening session.)

### ABOLITION OF SUSPENSION CERTIFICATE.

The Committee on Judiciary submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### Document 193.

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred document 24, would respectfully submit the following report:

The purpose of this proposition is the abolition of the suspension certificate. In view of the legislation recommended, revolutionizing our treatment of delinquent members, we suggest that this proposition do not pass.

BENJAMIN F. BLEDSOE, *Chairman*.

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report, see proceedings of the sixth day, evening session.)

### SUSPENSION AND REINSTATEMENT.

The Committee on Judiciary submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### Document 194.

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred document 56, would respectfully submit the following report:

This proposition has to do with an amendment of the procedure to be followed in cases of "Suspension and Reinstatement."

In view of our action in recommending the adoption of document 22, and the legislation incidental thereto, we recommend that this proposition do not pass.

BENJAMIN F. BLEDSOE, *Chairman*.

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report, see proceedings of the sixth day, evening session.)

### AUTHORITY TO SELL BONDS.

The Committee on Judiciary submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### Document 195.

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred document 89, would respectfully submit the following report:

This is a resolution submitted by the Supreme Master of Exchequer, agreeable to the requirements of the regulations of the treasury department of the United States, and is intended to confer upon him the power to assign registered bonds of the United States, now held by him, as a part of the funds of the Pythian War Relief Commission, to the various grand lodges contributing those funds, etc.

Assuming the passage of appropriate legislation directing the return of the funds now held by the War Relief Commission to the various grand lodges, a necessity for the adoption of the resolution proposed will exist. In any

other event it can do no harm. We, therefore, recommend that the resolution, as proposed, be adopted by the Supreme Lodge, and that it be duly certified by the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal thereof.

BENJAMIN F. BLEDSON, *Chairman*.

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report, see proceedings of the sixth day, evening session.)

### MILEAGE, 10 CENTS.

The Committee on Judiciary submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### Document 196.

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred document 91a, would respectfully submit the following report:

This proposition is intended to make effective, as of date August 1st, 1920, the legislation introduced in the Supreme Lodge increasing the mileage allowance to members of that body.

We are advised of no constitutional or other legal objection to retroactive legislation of this character. The propriety of its passage is purely a matter of fiscal policy and perhaps, also, of justice to members of the Supreme Lodge, due to increased railway rates, etc.

We, therefore, assume that it was not intended to seek our opinion as to the wisdom of adopting the proposition. We conceive of no legal objection to it, and so report.

BENJAMIN F. BLEDSON, *Chairman*.

(For action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report, see proceedings of the sixth day, evening session. Final action on this subject matter previously had been taken by the Supreme Lodge in the consideration of document 91, but, through error in the Journal of the fourth day, reference of an amendment to the proposition had been made to the Committee on Judiciary, hence the foregoing report.)

### STRIKE OUT WORDS, "AND SEAL."

The Committee on Judiciary submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### Document 197.

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred document 103, would respectfully submit the following report:

The purpose of this proposed enactment is to eliminate the words, "and seal," from the title of the office of Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal.

In a sense, though somewhat lengthy, this title serves to impress a distinctive individuality upon our order. To effect the change suggested, thereby eliminating the words quoted from all the official lithographed forms and documents of the order, would necessitate an expense out of keeping, in our judgment, with the good to be gained. We, therefore, recommend that the proposition do not pass.

BENJAMIN F. BLEDSON, *Chairman*.

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report, see proceedings of the sixth day, evening session.)

### OVER-AGE DISPENSATION.

The Committee on Judiciary submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### Document 198.

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred document 105, would respectfully submit the following report:

This is a proposition to amend the Supreme statutes making them conform to recent constitutional legislation lowering the minimum age for admission into the order, and providing that grand lodges may legislate to require dispensations for applicants more than 50 years of age, etc.

The first is covered by other legislation introduced. In the judgment of your committee, grand lodges now possess the power sought to be accorded them in the second part of the proposition.

We, therefore, recommend that the proposition do not pass.

BENJAMIN F. BLEDSOE, *Chairman.*

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report, see proceedings of the sixth day, evening session.)

### PAYMENT OF DUES.

The Committee on Judiciary submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### Document 199.

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred document 110, would respectfully submit the following report:

This is intended to affect the law relating to the collection of dues by exempting pages and esquires from their payment and by providing that they shall be paid at the *beginning* of stated periods, rather than at the *end* thereof, as at present.

Your committee, after careful consideration of this proposal, fail to see any appreciable benefit derivable therefrom, and therefore recommend that the proposition do not pass.

BENJAMIN F. BLEDSOE, *Chairman.*

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report, see proceedings of the sixth day, evening session.)

### TO PROHIBIT DISPENSATIONS.

The Committee on Judiciary submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### Document 200.

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred document 111, would respectfully submit the following report:

By this it is sought to instruct this committee to frame legislation to prevent either the Supreme Lodge or grand lodges from requiring dispensations from subordinate lodges:

- (a) To act on applications of persons over fifty;
- (b) On applications of maimed persons;



(c) For the conferring of more than one rank on the same person at the same convention;

(d) To ballot on an application at the convention whereat received; and

(e) To hold convention less often than semi-monthly.

We fail to appreciate the propriety of such a modification of existing law, and believe it would constitute an unwarranted invasion of the rights of grand lodges, and, probably in the long run, work material harm to the order. We, therefore, report adversely upon the proposal.

BENJAMIN F. BLEDSOE, *Chairman*.

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report, see proceedings of the sixth day, evening session.)

### CITIZENSHIP QUALIFICATIONS.

The Committee on Judiciary submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### Document 201.

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred document 113, would respectfully submit the following report:

This proposition is amendatory of our Supreme constitution with respect to the question of minimum fees for membership and also the matter of the citizenship of an applicant.

The first feature has been covered by other legislation already recommended. The second relates to a general matter of policy with respect to which there is a decided divergence of opinion among members of the Supreme Lodge, and after very mature deliberation, a complete exposition of the various conflicting views, and the inability to harmonize the differences, your committee feel that the law in the premises should be left as it is. We, therefore, recommend that the proposition do not pass.

BENJAMIN F. BLEDSOE, *Chairman*.

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report, see proceedings of the sixth day, evening session.)

### HONOR JEWEL TO MASTER OF FINANCE.

The Committee on Judiciary submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### Document 202.

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred document 114, would respectfully submit the following report:

In its general aspect, this proposition is meritorious in that it purposes to provide an appropriate bronze jewel of honor to masters of finance who shall have rendered perfect service—collected all outstanding dues during a given calendar year.

In the expectation, however, of the adoption of the legislation revolutionizing our method of dealing with the question of suspensions for non-payment of dues, we believe this particular legislation unnecessary, and recommend that it do not pass.

BENJAMIN F. BLEDSOE, *Chairman*.

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report, see proceedings of the sixth day, evening session.)

### ELIMINATE MASTER OF FINANCE.

The Committee on Judiciary submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### Document 203.

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred document 125, would respectfully submit the following report:

The sole purpose of this proposition is to eliminate the master of finance from the officary of subordinate lodges, assigning his present duties to the keeper of records and seal.

Under the law, as at present, any lodge may consolidate these two offices. Not infrequently, perhaps, this would be the part of wisdom—spelling for added efficiency and less administrative detail.

We believe, however, that the option now exercisable by subordinate lodges in the premises should not be interfered with. We, therefore, recommend that no legislation is necessary in this connection.

BENJAMIN F. BLEDSOE, *Chairman.*

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report, see proceedings of the sixth day, evening session.)

### STANDING COMMITTEES, SUPREME LODGE.

The Committee on Judiciary submitted the appended report and proposition; the proposition was passed on first and second reading, and ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### Document 204.

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred document 127, would respectfully submit the following report:

This is a proposition submitted by the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal to decrease the number of members to be appointed upon the respective committees of the Supreme Lodge, and to provide that no member shall be appointed on more than one committee.

The latter suggestion meets with our approval. And we think that its incorporation into our law will suffice adequately to accomplish the general purpose in mind on the part of the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal. We, therefore, submit the following amendment to chapter viii, division i, part i of the Supreme statutes to consist of a new section known as 49a and recommend its adoption.

#### Proposed New Section.

*Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias,* That part i, division i, chapter viii, of the Supreme statutes, be and the same is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section, to be known as 49a, to read as follows:

49a. Unless otherwise ordered by the Supreme Lodge, no member of the Supreme Lodge shall be appointed to more than one standing committee for service during the same biennial term.

BENJAMIN F. BLEDSOE, *Chairman.*

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting report and passing the proposition on third reading, see proceedings of the sixth day, evening session.)

On motion of Supreme Representative Salinger, of Iowa, the Supreme Lodge took recess until Monday, August 16, at 9:00 a. m.

## SIXTH DAY

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### MORNING SESSION

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The Supreme Lodge was called to order Monday, August 16, at 9 a. m., by Supreme Chancellor Charles S. Davis.

The roll was called, and Supreme Lodge officers, Past Supreme Chancellors and Supreme Representatives were found to be present as under:

CHARLES S. DAVIS, *Supreme Chancellor.*

WILLIAM LADEW, *Supreme Vice Chancellor.*

FREDERICK S. ATTWOOD, *Supreme Prelate.*

FRED E. WHEATON, *Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal.*

THOMAS D. MEARES, *Supreme Master of Exchequer.*

FRED J. G. MCARTHUR, *Supreme Master at Arms.*

DOUGLAS S. WRIGHT, *Supreme Inner Guard.*

HENRY M. WADSWORTH, *Supreme Outer Guard.*

*Past Supreme Chancellors*—JOHN J. BROWN, HENRY P. BROWN, THOMAS J. CARLING, EDWARD DUNN, BRIG S. YOUNG.

*Supreme Representatives*—AGATZ, ALLEN, ANDERSON, ARBENZ, BALLANTYNE, BALLREICH, BAXTER, BEANS, BECKFORD, BELL, BINNS, BLEDSOE, BOESE, BOWERS, BRANTLEY, BRISTOW, BROENING, BROKAW, BROWN, BRUNT, BUCK, CABELL, CAIRNS, CONGER, CONNALLY, CONYBEARE, CRIST, CRITES, CROUCH, DARLAND, DICKINSON, DICKMAN, DINNIE, DOYNE, DUNCAN, DYE, EDENS, ELLIS, ELTZ, ERWIN, FORBES, FOX, FROST, GILMAN, GRANT, GROSSMAN, GUILD, GWINN, HAMPTON, HARBER, HARP, HARRIS, HAWKINS, HEINRICHS, HELLER, HERREID, HILLER, HUNTER, HUTCHISON, JONES, KAHLERT, KELSEY, KENDALL, KERNS, KIMBALL, KING, KLINE, KNIGHT, LEWIS, LOFTIN, LOUCKS, LUMPKIN, MCCOY, MCCREARY, MCCUISE, MC-MILLEN, MACDONALD, MACINTYRE, MAXWELL, MEID, MENDELSON, MERRILL, MIDDLETON, MILAM, MOORE, MORRISON, MUIR, NUZUM, O'CONNOR, OTWELL, PATTERSON, PERDUE, PLUMMER, POLLARD, PRIEST, PUTNAM, QUICK, RANDOLPH, REEVE, RICHARDSON, RITCHIE, SCHOBERTH, SCHREIBER, SCHROEDER, SCHUCHARDT, SHARPE, SIMAN, SIMPSON, SOUTHWICK, STEESE, STEIN, STEVENSON, STEWART (M. P.), STEWART (Tenn.), STOUT, STRATTON, TAYLOR, THOMPSON, TOWERS, VAUGHN, VOGEL, WARD, WARNER, WEILAND, WEIR, WELCKER, WEST, WHARTON, WHITFIELD, WILLIAMS (Kans.), WILLIAMSON, WILSON (Nev.), WILLSON (N. C.), WILSON (Ont.), WINN, WOEHRLER, WOODWORTH, WORMWOOD.

**JOURNAL CORRECTED AND APPROVED.**

The Journal of the fifth day was corrected in a few minor particulars, and, on motion, "was approved as corrected."

**MEMBER EXCUSED.**

On motion, Supreme Representative Remy, of Indiana, was excused from further attendance at this convention.

**GREETINGS BY WIRE.**

The appended telegrams were received, read, and ordered to be printed in the Daily Journal and Official Record:

GARDINER, N. Y., August 14, 1920.

FRED E. WHEATON, *S. K. R. S.*,  
Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis, Minn.

Please express to Supreme Lodge my gratitude for the honor conferred on my husband. He has my complete co-operation in the work he loves.

BELLE LADEW.

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KINGSTON, N. Y., August 15, 1920.

FRED E. WHEATON, *S. K. R. S.*, *Minneapolis, Minn.*

We present our compliments to Supreme Chancellor Davis and all supreme officers for the successful consummation of two years of notable achievements for the order. The election of Brother William Ladew as Supreme Chancellor is a merited tribute to his notable Pythian accomplishments and an honor to this domain. He has ever been earnestly actuated with the welfare of our order and sincerely imbued with its interests. He possesses a keen grasp and an intense perception of Pythianism. We will give practical evidence of our appreciation of the honor by increased efforts to make the domain of New York one of the biggest and best domains in our great order. Hail to our order—hail to our new Supreme Chancellor!

PALMER CANFIELD, *Grand Chancellor*, New York.

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AMARILLO, TEXAS, August 10, 1920.

FRED E. WHEATON, *S. K. R. S.*, Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias,  
Minneapolis, Minn.

Please communicate my message of fraternal good will and confidence to every member of the Supreme body. May God grant that their actions, in this 1920 biennial convention, may be cautious and prudent; that our splendid progress may reach a higher standard of Pythian understanding, and that the congress of the United States shall be given to understand that our great order will not tolerate any infringements whatsoever on our fifty-six years of struggle for the brotherhood of man and the Fatherhood of God.

FRANK DONNELLY, *P. G. C.*

**REGULAR ORDER RESUMED.**

The regular order—consideration of reports of standing committees—was taken up, as said reports were printed in the Daily Journal.



**ADDITIONAL ALLOWANCE TO MRS. RICHIE.**

The report of the Committee on Finance (document 136, page 428 *ante*), was taken up and adopted, and the resolution contained in document 126 was unanimously adopted.

**MINOR EXPENSES OF CONVENTION.**

Document 168 (page 444 *ante*), was taken up, read, and the resolution therein contained was unanimously adopted.

**FOR SALE—AN HONORED JEWEL.**

Document 170 (page 448 *ante*), was taken up, read, and the resolution therein contained was unanimously adopted.

**“INSURANCE DEPARTMENT”—S. C.**

The report of the Committee on Insurance Department (document 141, page 430 *ante*), was taken up and adopted.

**LIFE MEMBERSHIP CERTIFICATES.**

The report of the Committee on Insurance Department (document 142, page 431 *ante*), was taken up and adopted.

**“LIFE MEMBERSHIP”—S. K. R. S.**

The report of the Committee on Insurance Department (document 143, page 431 *ante*), was taken up and adopted.

**REPORT OF BOARD OF CONTROL.**

The report of the Committee on Insurance Department (document 144, page 431 *ante*), was taken up and adopted.

**“INSURANCE FOR ALL MEMBERS.”**

The report of the Committee on Insurance Department (document 145, page 432 *ante*), was taken up.

Supreme Representative Harp, of Maryland, moved “that document 34, O. R. 1918, be re-referred to the committee with instructions to report thereon at the convention of 1922,” which motion was rejected.

Supreme Representative Ward, of Minnesota, moved “that the subject matter of document 145, also document 83, be made a special order for 3 o’clock p. m. this day,” which motion was rejected.

Supreme Representative Hawkins, of Michigan, moved “that document 83 be amended by adding after the word “*gross*” in the first line of the fourth paragraph, the word, “*semi-annual*,” which motion prevailed.

Document 145 was then adopted, and the proposition contained in document 83, as above amended, was passed on third reading by the following vote—rule 30.

Those voting "yea" were Supreme Representatives AGATZ, ALLEN, ANDERSON, ARBENZ, BALLANTYNE, BALLREICH, BAXTER BEANS, BELL, BINNS, BLEDSOE, BOESE, BOWERS, BRANTLEY, BRISTOW, BROENING, BROKAW, BROWN, BRUNT, CABELL, CAIRNS, CONGER, CONNALLY, CONYBEARE, CRIST, CRITES, CROUCH, DARLAND, DICKINSON, DICKMAN, DINNIE, DOYNE, DUNCAN, EDENS, ELLIS, ELTZ, ERWIN, FORBES, FOX, FROST, GILMAN, GRANT, GROSSMAN, GUILD, GWINN, HAMPTON, HARBER, HARRIS, HAWKINS, HEINRICH, HELLER, HERREID, HILLER, HUNTER, HUTCHISON, JONES, KAHLERT, KELSEY, KENDALL, KERNS, KIMBALL, KING, KLINE, KNIGHT, LEWIS, LOFTIN, LOUCKS, LUMPKIN, MCCOY, MCCREARY, MCCUISH, McMILLEN, MACDONALD, MACINTYRE, MAXWELL, MEID, MENDELSON, MERRILL, MIDDLETON, MILAM, MOORE, MORRISON, MUIR, NUZUM, O'CONNOR, OTWELL, PATTERSON, PERDUE, PLUMMER, POLLARD, PUTNAM, QUICK, RANDOLPH, REEVE, RICHARDSON, RITCHIE, SCHOBERTH, SCHREIBER, SCHROEDER, SCHUCHARDT, SHARPE, SIMAN, SIMPSON, SOUTHWICK, STEESE, STEIN, STEVENSON, STEWART (M. P.), STEWART (Tenn.), STOUT, STRATTON, TAYLOR, THOMPSON, TOWERS, VAUGHN, VOGEL, WARNER, WEILAND, WEIR, WELCKER, WEST, WHARTON, WHITFIELD, WILLIAMS (Kans.), WILLIAMSON, WILSON (Nev.), WILLSON (N. C.), WILSON (Ont.), WINN, WOEHRL, WORMWOOD; Past Supreme Chancellors BROWN (Ill.), BROWN (Texas), CARLING, DUNN, YOUNG; the Supreme Chancellor, the Supreme Vice Chancellor, the Supreme Prelate, the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal, the Supreme Master of Exchequer, the Supreme Master at Arms, the Supreme Inner Guard, the Supreme Outer Guard—146.

Those voting "nay" were: Supreme Representatives BECKFORD, BUCK, DYE, HARP, PRIEST, WARD, WOODWORTH—7.

Supreme Representative Plummer, of Maine, asked unanimous consent to offer an amendment to the proposition contained in document 83, which request was granted, whereupon Supreme Representative Plummer moved that the following words be added at the end of the proposition, "the same to take effect forthwith," which motion prevailed, and the amendment was adopted unanimously.

#### FISCAL YEAR, INSURANCE DEPARTMENT.

The report of the Committee on Insurance Department (document 146, page 432 *ante*), was taken up.

On motion, it was ordered that the word "financial" be substituted for the word "fiscal" in the caption of this document, also in the first line of paragraph (a) of the proposition, which motion prevailed.

The report was adopted, and the proposition contained in document 61, as amended, was passed on third reading by unanimous vote—rule 30.

**CERTIFICATES FROM \$500 TO \$10,000.**

The report of the Committee on Insurance Department (document 147, page 432 *ante*), was taken up and adopted, and the proposition contained in document 106 was rejected.

**PYTHIAN SANATORIUM.**

The report of the Committee on State of the Order (document 138, page 429 *ante*), was taken up and adopted, and the proposition contained in document 18 was rejected.

**\$100,000 FOR SANATORIUM.**

The report of the Committee on State of the Order (document 139, page 429 *ante*), was taken up and adopted, and the resolution contained in document 19 was rejected.

**SHALL HOMES BE NATIONALIZED.**

The report of the Committee on State of the Order (document 140, page 430 *ante*), was taken up and adopted.

**DELINQUENT AND INACTIVE MEMBERS.  
(Special Order)**

Supreme Representative Grossman, of New York, requested that unanimous consent be given for "special order" consideration of the report of the Committee on Judiciary (document 176) and the accompanying substitute proposition (document 177), which request was granted.

On motion, it was ordered that said special order be fixed "at 3 o'clock p. m., this day."

**SECRET SESSION POSTPONED.**

Supreme Representative Crites, of Missouri, called attention to the fact that the time (11 o'clock) had arrived "for the special order, secret session."

Supreme Representative Bledsoe, of California, asked unanimous consent for the reconsideration of the motion fixing the secret session special order at 11 o'clock this day, which request was granted, whereupon, on motion, it was ordered "that said special order be continued until called up."

**"THE MILITARY DEPARTMENT"—S. C.**

The report of the Committee on Military Department (document 129, page 426 *ante*), was taken up and adopted.

### RULES AND REGULATIONS.

The report of the Committee on Military Department (document 130, page 426 *ante*), was taken up and adopted, and the legislation of the supreme assembly as contained in document 57 was approved.

### MAJOR GENERAL BY APPOINTMENT.

The report of the Committee on Military Department (document 131, page 426 *ante*), was taken up and adopted, and the proposition contained in document 102 was passed on third reading by unanimous vote—rule 30.

Past Supreme Chancellor Young moved, "that the vote by which the proposition contained in document 102 was passed on third reading, be reconsidered," which motion, after some discussion, was rejected.

### "PYTHIAN CATECHISM"—S. C.

The report of the Committee on Written Work (document 132, page 427 *ante*), was taken up, and on motion of Supreme Representative Bledsoe, of California, was ordered "to lie on the table."

### ABOLITION OF PRINTED RITUAL.

The report of the Committee on Written Work (document 133, page 427 *ante*), was taken up and adopted.

### ANTE ROOM RITUALISM.

The report of the Committee on Written Work (document 134, page 427 *ante*), was taken up and adopted.

### SALUTE THE FLAG.

The report of the Committee on Written Work (document 135, page 428 *ante*), was taken up, and, on motion, ordered to "lie over," by reason of the fact that the subject matter was fully covered in other legislation pending before the convention.

### CONSTRUCTION FUND AND WORK.

The report of the Committee on Ways and Means (document 137, page 428 *ante*), was taken up.

On motion, the document was amended in the second paragraph so as to provide for a committee of "six" instead of "five," and adding the name Past Supreme Chancellor Charles S. Davis, (following the name of George C. Cabell), as a member of the special committee.

The report, as amended, was adopted.



### SUPREME LODGE RELIEF FUND.

The Committee on State of the Order offered the appended resolution, which was adopted:

#### Document 205.

*Be it resolved by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias,* That such sum as it is necessary to add to the balance of moneys now in the Supreme Lodge Relief Fund to make the aggregate sum of moneys in the fund amount to Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) be and the same hereby is appropriated for such purpose; and

That the Finance Committee include such appropriation in its budget.

WILLIAM GROSSMAN, *Chairman.*

WILLIAM D. QUICK, *Secretary.*

### TRIBUTE TO JUDGE MYERS.

The appended communication was received, read, and ordered to be printed in the Daily Journal and Official Record:

#### Document 206.

Resolution adopted by the Supreme Tribunal, Knights of Pythias, at its regular sitting held on Tuesday, August 10, 1920:

Since the last meeting of the Supreme Tribunal death has taken one who was long a member of the Supreme Lodge, and of this Supreme Tribunal, and for years its Chief Tribune. Judge Colostin D. Myers died January 12, 1920. It is appropriate that this tribunal put on record the expression of its appreciation of this good man and brother, and our sorrow for his death.

As chairman of the board of exemption for the district in which he lived he rendered valuable and patriotic service to the country throughout the period of the World War. The exacting duties of the position, with its manifold and harrowing responsibilities, took heavy toll of his physical strength and nervous energies, so that when disease fastened its hold upon him, his vitality was too much depleted to resist its inroads. And so it may be said that he gave his life for his country.

His ability and learning as a lawyer and his high character earned for him the approbation and confidence of his fellow citizens who made him a judge of their courts. Here he administered the laws and dispensed justice with the single purpose of subserving the good of the public and the individual.

As a member of the Supreme Tribunal his work was distinguished for the painstaking care and thoroughness with which he approached and undertook the solution of the questions which came before him. He had an accurate knowledge and comprehension of the laws of the order, and his written opinions were models of clarity of expression, and of logical and analytical disposition of the issues in controversy.

He was a loyal and constant Knight of Pythias, imbued with the precepts and ideals of the order, which he practised in his daily life.

Our intimate association with him in the work of the Supreme Tribunal gave to us the opportunity to know and appreciate his attractive personal qualities. Genial and gentle, warm hearted and sincere, keen of wit and intellect, he was a rarely choice companion. It is not perfunctory to say of him: "We shall not see his like again."

Judge Myers has been summoned to appear at the bar of the Court of Last Resort for all those who inhabit the earth. We are well assured by our knowledge of his life that there fell from the lips of the Supreme Judge these kindly words: "It doth appear thou art a worthy judge." Now, therefore, it is

*Resolved by the Supreme Tribunal, That these resolutions be inscribed upon the minutes of this Tribunal, that the recorder transmit a copy of them to the Supreme Lodge at its present convention, and that he send a copy of them to Mrs. Myers.*

For the Supreme Tribunal,  
ROBERT A. BROWN, *Recorder.*

### COMPENSATION TO ASSISTANTS.

The Committee on Finance submitted the appended resolution, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### Document 207.

*Be it resolved by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias, That the following sums are hereby directed to be paid for services to the Supreme Lodge at this convention:*

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| James Robertson, official reporter, the sum of . . . . .                                                                                                                                | \$150.00 |
| Will L. Scism, document clerk, the sum of . . . . .                                                                                                                                     | 150.00   |
| Hillrie M. Quin, press reporter, in accordance with the resolution adopted at the last convention of 1918 (see document 168 O. R. 1918) mileage and per diem at regular rates . . . . . | 262.30   |
| Ward Ferguson, postmaster, the sum of . . . . .                                                                                                                                         | 80.00    |
| Edward H. Milham, assistant Supreme Master at Arms . . .                                                                                                                                | 80.00    |

BENJAMIN D. BRANTLEY, *Acting Chairman.*

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this resolution, see proceedings of the seventh day.)

### EFFICIENCY SYSTEM FOR LODGES.

The Special Committee on Efficiency submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### Document 208.

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

We the special committee appointed on document 79 containing California efficiency system, hereby make report as follows:

1. We approve parts iii, iv, and v of said California system, and recommend that the said parts be referred to the Committee on Pythian Education, to make such additions and corrections as may be deemed necessary for the immediate use of the Supreme Chancellor, the grand domains and subordinate lodges, and that said committee be authorized and directed to disseminate the same, when so added to and corrected, embodying in the matter disseminated the outstanding features of parts iii, iv, and v.

2. We further recommend that the duties of this special committee be continued to the next convention of this Supreme Lodge for the purpose of enabling said special committee to present for the consideration of said next convention, said California efficiency system rounded into shape for the united action and concerted co-operation and use of Supreme and grand domains and subordinate lodges.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT G. LOUCKS, *Calif.*  
RENO S. HARP, *Md.*  
HARRY A. SCHOBERTH, *Ky.*  
ALBERT A. WORMWOOD, *Ohio.*  
CLEM. F. KIMBALL, *Iowa.*

*Special Committee.*

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report, see proceedings of the seventh day.)

### "THE" SUPREME BEING.

The Committee on Judiciary submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### Document 209.

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred document 78, would respectfully submit the following report:

This proposition, though framed in the form of a resolution instead of an amendment to our Supreme constitution, which would be necessary, in its entirety proposes to make our constitution read that to gain membership in the order, one must be a believer in "the Supreme Being," as contradistinguished from the present requirement that he must be a believer in "a Supreme Being."

With no thought of criticism at all for the sponsor of the proposition, your committee cannot but believe that the proposed change, in its finer conception, is one of mere form and not of substance.

That there is a Supreme Being, no true candidate for our membership will deny; it involves no mis-statement or even under-statement of fact, then, for him so to declare. To require a specific declaration of his belief in the existence of the Supreme Being, transgresses the domain of mere logical statement and grammatical construction, and enters into the sphere of religious belief, sectarian controversy and individual conception of Deity. Our order appeals to, and cordially welcomes, Trinitarians, Unitarians, Jews and all others who entertain a conscientious belief in, and purpose to show due and becoming reverence for, the Power, Personality, Presence, Force, or call Him what you will, whom we severally dignify and designate, in our own minds, as the Supreme Being. Conceptions differ, however, as faiths differ, and we want no man, who seeks to become one of us, to feel, even by implication, that he is subscribing to a concurrence in our conception of Deity to the exclusion of his own conception. He satisfies us if he truly believes in a Divine Omnipotence.

Further, though perhaps of less practical significance, for years our constitution has contained the phrase inveighed against; we have for more than a generation required a belief in "A Supreme Being." To make a change now, as requested, might, in itself, serve as the basis for the implication that the conception of our order, with respect to Deity and Divinity, had changed. This we are constrained to hold is not the fact.

We therefore report unfavorably upon the proposition.

BENJAMIN F. BLEDSOE, *Chairman.*

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report and rejecting the proposition contained in document 78, see proceedings of the seventh day.)

### WANTED—A GRAND LODGE RITUAL.

The Committee on Written Work submitted the appended recommendation, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### Document 210.

Your Committee on Written Work recognizes that our present grand lodge and Supreme Lodge rituals are lacking in impressiveness or definite significance; and that many past chancellors, after having served their subordinate lodges in such manner as to entitle them to enter their grand

lodges are sorely disappointed in the brevity and simplicity of the ritualistic work involved in the conferring of the grand lodge rank.

Your committee believes that the grand lodge rank should be elaborate enough to be commensurate with the added honor and dignity attained by the past chancellors, and the additional responsibilities assumed by them when they are ushered into the higher body of Pythianism.

Therefore, your committee recommends that a special committee of three be forthwith appointed for the purpose of preparing a revision or amplification of our present grand lodge and Supreme Lodge rituals, so as to more thoroughly emphasize the responsibilities and privileges of its members; and that such committee be instructed to report such proposed revision or amplification to the 1922 convention of the Supreme Lodge, for its approval or acceptance.

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD C. BRUNT, *Chairman*.

THEO. V. SIMPSON, *Secretary*.

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting the foregoing recommendation, at which time the special committee was appointed, see proceedings of the seventh day.)

### REPORT ON GRAND DOMAINS.

The Committee on Grand Domains submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and be printed:

#### Document 211.

Your Committee on Grand Domains, to which was referred that portion of the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal's report under the headings, "Annual Membership Statements" and "Mexican Lodges," would respectfully submit the following report:

First—Never before in Pythian history has there been recorded such a substantial growth in the order in all its departments, and your committee feels and believes that this result is largely due to the energy, love, and unerring efforts of the Supreme Chancellor, Charles S. Davis.

His labors have been earnestly distributed in every grand domain, and success has been the natural result. Your committee desires to express to Supreme Chancellor Davis its gratitude, and wish him God-speed, with the sincere hope that he may continue his splendid work for many years.

Second—With reference to the Mexican Lodge situation, until that is more clarified, this committee sees no way whereby the order could extend its efforts in that field.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES H. GWINN, *Chairman*.

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report, see proceedings of the seventh day.)

### RECESS.

On motion, the Supreme Lodge took recess until 2 o'clock p. m., this day.



## SIXTH DAY

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### AFTERNOON SESSION

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The Supreme Lodge reassembled at 2 o'clock p. m., Monday, August 16, and was called to order by the Supreme Chancellor, the following officers being present:

CHARLES S. DAVIS, *Supreme Chancellor*.  
WILLIAM LADEW, *Supreme Vice Chancellor*.  
FREDERICK S. ATTWOOD, *Supreme Prelate*.  
FRED E. WHEATON, *Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal*.  
THOMAS D. MEARES, *Supreme Master of Exchequer*.  
FRED J. G. MCARTHUR, *Supreme Master at Arms*.  
DOUGLAS S. WRIGHT, *Supreme Inner Guard*.  
HENRY M. WADSWORTH, *Supreme Outer Guard*.

### ROLL CALL DISPENSED WITH.

On motion of Supreme Representative Crouch, of Oregon, the calling of the roll was dispensed with.

### AT LAST—WORD FROM “TRACY.”

The appended telegram was received, read, and ordered to be printed:

GRAND FORKS, N. D., August 16, 1920.

FRED E. WHEATON, S. K. R. S., Knights of Pythias,  
Minneapolis, Minn.

For a week I have been hoping each day would see me moving towards Minneapolis, but conditions that I could not control made it impossible until today, and I am told the convention will probably adjourn tonight. I cannot adequately express my regret, but do want to greet the boys. Please tell them all just how you would feel under similar circumstances, and that will express my feelings sincerely.

TRACY R. BANGS.

### SUPREME LODGE RANK.

The Assistant Supreme Master at Arms introduced Past Grand Chancellor Fred W. Hoylen, of Arkansas, upon whom the Supreme Lodge rank was conferred in ritualistic form.

**PER CAPITA TAX—10 CENTS.**

The Committee on Ways and Means submitted the appended report and resolution, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

**Document 212.**

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred matter of per capita tax, would respectfully submit the following report:

After examining the official reports and conferring with the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal and Supreme Master of Exchequer, and after paying expenses of the 1920 convention there will remain in the hands of the Supreme Master of Exchequer approximately \$60,000, and that a per capita tax of ten (10) cents, possibly a little less, will be required for the ensuing term; therefore,

*Be it resolved*, That the per capita tax for the next two years be fixed at ten (10) cents per annum; provided, that should the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal conclude that it can be done without detriment to the interest of the order, he be authorized to reduce it to nine (9) cents for 1922.

WILLIAM K. WHITFIELD, *Chairman*.

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report and resolution, see proceedings of the seventh day.)

**PYTHIAN PUBLICITY.**

The Special Committee on Publicity submitted the appended report and accompanying "press article," which were ordered to lie over and to be printed:

**Document 213.**

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Special Committee on Publicity, to which was referred the matters of bringing before the public certain changes in qualification for membership, would respectfully submit the following report:

That we have carefully considered the special matter referred to us, and recommend that the article following in this report be adopted as a suitable item of news calling attention to the age at which a person, otherwise properly qualified, may become a member of the order of Knights of Pythias.

We further recommend that the article be published in the various papers throughout the Supreme domain under the direction of the grand chancellor and grand keeper of records and seal of each grand domain; and that its publication be released simultaneously in each grand domain.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH J. CRITES, *Chairman*,  
HARRY A. THOMPSON,  
HENRY E. ELLIS,  
*Committee.*

**PRESS ARTICLE.**

In conformity with its general program and policy of expansion by which it is purposed to carry the principles of the order into new fields of Pythian endeavor, the Knights of Pythias at the recent biennial convention of its Supreme Lodge at Minneapolis, adopted an amendment to its organic law reducing the minimum age limit of membership in the order from 21 to 18

years, the effect of which will be to open the door of fraternal hope to thousands of youths in the land whose hearts have felt the touch of human sympathy and who long to enlist under the banner of brotherhood achievement.

Since the order was founded, membership has been restricted to white male persons not less than 21 years of age and under 50, except that persons over 50 might be accepted as members by dispensations. But out of the great World War many lessons came of a nature calculated to change the old order of things, not the least of which was the idea born of the tremendous struggle and was participated in by the best blood of the nation's young manhood that youths of 18, 19 and 20 years of age are fully capable of meeting responsibilities and discharging life's obligations with a fidelity equal to those of few years their senior. The alacrity with which the young boys of the nation sprang to arms at the call of country in defense of its honor and for the preservation of its institutions affords incontrovertible proof that one does not necessarily have to be of legal age in order to be of real service in times of stress and need.

Inspired by thoughts of service performed and sacrifices made by the boys of the land and being deeply sensible to the conviction that if a boy of 18 years is man enough, strong enough and patriotic enough to serve his country in time of war, he is competent physically, mentally and temperamentally to participate in the settlement of the problems of peace that came to us as a heritage of the war in which he fought.

The Knights of Pythias in common with other fraternal organizations are not unmindful of the obligations the duties of the hour impose. It proposes to perform its full share in the great work of reconstruction and rehabilitation, that civilization may speedily recover from the shock to which it was subjected and that the blessings of peace, softened by sentiments of fraternal love may find permanent abiding place in the hearts of men. And in this magnificent endeavor it has invited boys and men of 18 years and over to enlist under the tricolored banner of Pythian Knighthood in the movement designed to banish discontent and discord and make the world brighter and happier.

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting the above report, approving the "press article," and directing its publication, see proceedings of the seventh day.)

### MILITARY COMMISSION.

The Committee on Military Department submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### **Document 214.**

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Military Department, to which was referred document 70, would respectfully submit the following report:

That the recommendations contained therein be hereby approved, and that the necessary legislation covering those recommendations has already been prepared.

JOHN H. MAXWELL, *Chairman.*

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report, see proceedings of the seventh day.)

### MAJOR GENERAL RE-ELECTED.

The Committee on Military Department submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

**Document 215.**

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Military Department, to which was referred document 128, would respectfully submit the following report:

We recommend that the action of the Supreme Assembly be concurred in.

JOHN H. MAXWELL, *Chairman.*

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report and confirming the reelection of the major general, see proceedings of the seventh day.)

**SERVICES COMMENDED.**

The Committee on Finance submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

**Document 216.**

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Finance desires to most emphatically commend the thorough, painstaking, courteous, careful and efficient discharge of the duties of their respective offices by Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal Fred E. Wheaton and Supreme Master of Exchequer Thomas D. Meares, and to express its sincere conviction that the best interests of the order have been splendidly protected and advanced by their efforts.

BENJ. D. BRANTLEY, *Acting Chairman.*

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report, see proceedings of the seventh day.)

**BIENNIAL BUDGET.**

The Committee on Finance presented the following proposition containing the proposed budget of appropriations for the ensuing biennial term, which was passed on first and second reading, and ordered to lie over and to be printed:

**Document 217.**

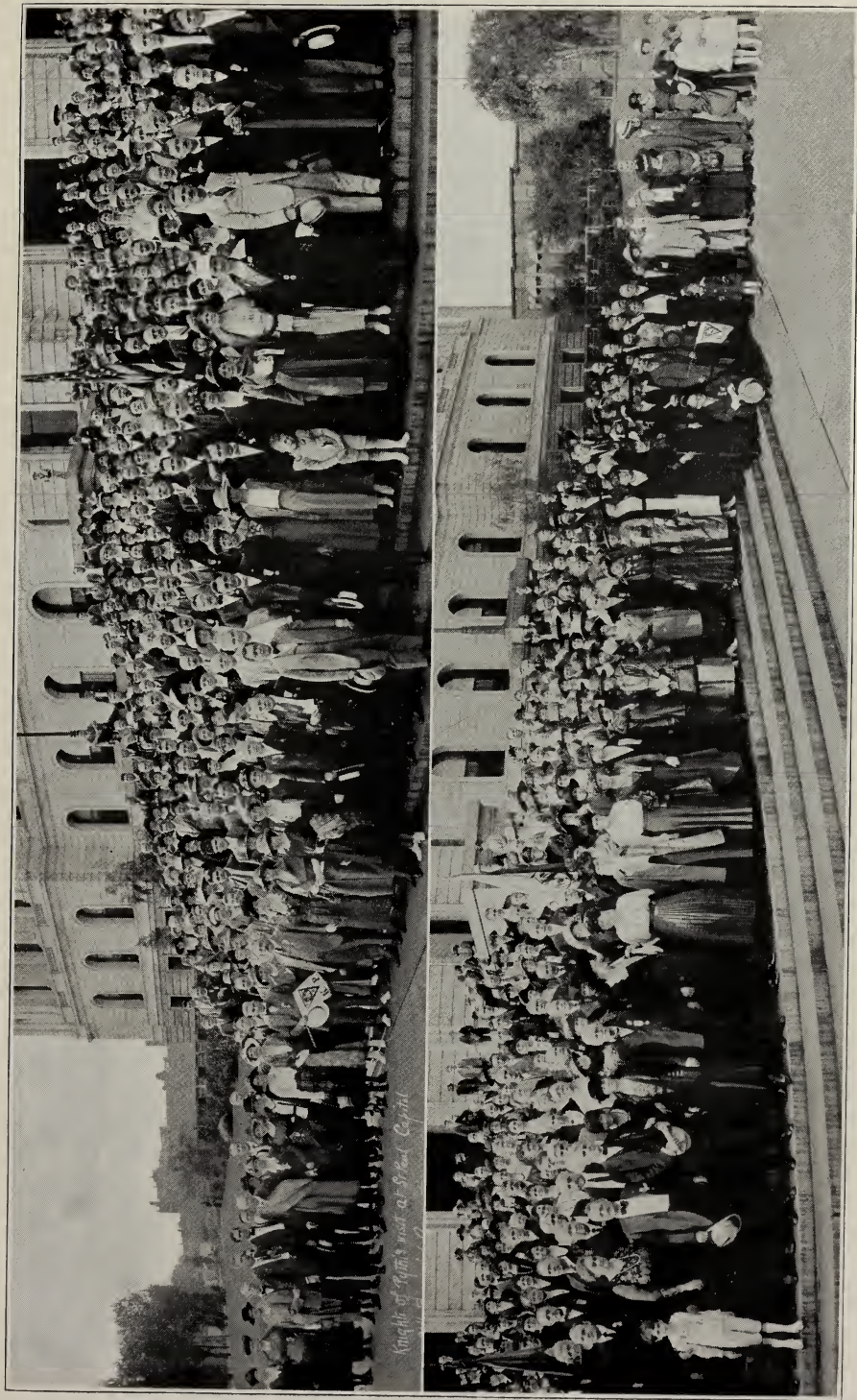
*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Finance would respectfully submit the following biennial budget:

*Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias,* In this, the 1920 biennial convention, that the following amounts, or so much thereof as may be necessary, are hereby appropriated from the exchequer of the Supreme Lodge for the purpose of defraying the expenses of Supreme government for the ensuing biennial term:

|                                                          |             |
|----------------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| Supreme Chancellor's salary.....                         | \$10,000.00 |
| Supreme Chancellor's office expense.....                 | 8,000.00    |
| Supreme Chancellor's traveling expense.....              | 5,000.00    |
| Supreme Vice Chancellor's traveling expense.....         | 3,000.00    |
| Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal's salary.....         | 10,000.00   |
| Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal's Clerical Force:     |             |
| 1. Chief Clerk.....                                      | \$5,400.00  |
| 2. Stenographer.....                                     | 3,600.00    |
|                                                          | <hr/>       |
|                                                          | 9,000.00    |
| Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal's office expense..... | 2,000.00    |
| Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal's office rent.....    | 3,840.00    |





SUPREME LODGE AND PYTHIAN VISITORS PHOTOGRAPHED ON THE STEPS OF THE STATE CAPITOL, ST. PAUL, MINN., AUGUST 12, 1920.



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| Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal's traveling expense.....                                                                                          | 2,500.00  |
| Supreme Master of Exchequer's salary.....                                                                                                            | 3,000.00  |
| Supreme Master of Exchequer's office expense.....                                                                                                    | 500.00    |
| Supreme Master of Exchequer's traveling expense.....                                                                                                 | 300.00    |
| Committee on Finance.....                                                                                                                            | 3,500.00  |
| Supreme Tribunal expense.....                                                                                                                        | 4,000.00  |
| Miscellaneous printing.....                                                                                                                          | 2,500.00  |
| Emergency Fund.....                                                                                                                                  | 4,000.00  |
| General Expense Fund.....                                                                                                                            | 3,500.00  |
| Miss L. S. S. Rathbone allowance.....                                                                                                                | 1,800.00  |
| Mrs. Catherine E. Richie allowance.....                                                                                                              | 1,800.00  |
| Mrs. Mary B. Vanderveer allowance.....                                                                                                               | 1,200.00  |
| Convention expense—convention of 1920.....                                                                                                           | 50,000.00 |
| Printing Official Record.....                                                                                                                        | 3,500.00  |
| Military Department.....                                                                                                                             | 14,500.00 |
| Purchase of official supplies.....                                                                                                                   | 75,000.00 |
| Supplies Expense Account.....                                                                                                                        | 2,000.00  |
| Committee on Printing and Supplies.....                                                                                                              | 600.00    |
| Past Supreme Chancellor's jewel.....                                                                                                                 | 250.00    |
| Furniture and fixtures.....                                                                                                                          | 2,000.00  |
| Pythian Education.....                                                                                                                               | 5,000.00  |
| Supreme Lodge Relief Fund.....                                                                                                                       | 100.00    |
| Postage.....                                                                                                                                         | 2,000.00  |
| Convention expense—Convention of 1922.....                                                                                                           | 1,000.00  |
| Traveling expense, etc., of District Deputies Supreme Chancellor<br>for outlying districts.....                                                      | 1,000.00  |
| Mrs. Fannie Hargus, for jewel of P. S. C. Berry.....                                                                                                 | 100.00    |
| Committee on Nationalization of Pythian Homes—not to exceed..                                                                                        | 500.00    |
| For one extra day's service attending Supreme Lodge convention<br>for each member of the Committee on Subdivision and Refer-<br>ence, \$10 each..... | 50.00     |
| For expenses of the Special Committee on Construction Fund and<br>Work, for the ensuing biennial term.....                                           | 1,000.00  |

## DEFICIENCY APPROPRIATIONS.

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |          |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| 1. Traveling expenses, Supreme Chancellor Davis.....                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 235.35   |
| 2. War Relief Fund:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |          |
| (a) All expenses incurred in connection with the raising of<br>said fund prior to the biennial convention of 1918.....                                                                                                                                                                                    | 6,162.13 |
| (b) All expenses of the commission in administering said fund<br>from the date of the convention of 1918, to the first day of<br>January, 1920, including traveling expenses, printing,<br>postage, medals, premium on bond of the Supreme Master<br>of Exchequer, accounting, and other incidentals..... | 3,526.73 |
| (c) All expenses of the commission in administering said fund<br>from January 1, 1920, to the date of the present conven-<br>tion, including traveling expenses, printing, postage,<br>medals, premium on bond of the Supreme Master of Ex-<br>chequer, accounting and other incidentals.....             | 899.88   |

In explanation, your committee desires herein to further report that they find on examination of the report of the War Relief Commission, made on the 10th day of August, 1920, that the actual traveling expenses of the commission since the date of its appointment and since it took supervision of the said fund at Detroit, 1918, to the date of the present convention, other than printing, postage, medals, premium on bond of the Supreme Master of



Exchequer, accounting, and other incidental expenses, has been \$1,093.89, and that all other expenses in connection with the raising of said fund, prior to and since their appointment—the total expenses of the commission as shown on page 4 of their official report—are for other than the actual expenses of the present commission.

BENJAMIN D. BRANTLEY, *Acting Chm.*,  
JAS. A. STEESE,  
JOHN B. VAUGHN,  
ARTHUR E. KERNS,  
RICHARD I. WARNER,

*Finance Committee.*

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, amending this proposition and passing same, as amended, on third reading, see proceedings of the seventh day.)

### DISTRIBUTION OF WAR RELIEF FUND.

The Committee on Judiciary submitted the appended resolution, which was read, and ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### Document 218.

*Be it resolved by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

1. That the further collection of the War Relief Fund be, and hereby is, discontinued.

2. That the War Relief Fund, now held or hereafter received by the Supreme Master of Exchequer, be distributed to the sources from which it directly came into the hands of the War Relief Commission, respectively and severally; to the individuals making direct contributions; to the grand lodges having paid the same under the assessment plan or otherwise; and to the subordinate lodges directly under the control of the Supreme Lodge, in such proportions as the funds so paid in, or to be paid in, bear to the funds to be distributed; provided, that the expenses and payments from the funds received shall first be deducted from the entire funds received; and, provided, that in making the distribution to the grand lodges, the Supreme Master of Exchequer shall, as near as practically can be, distribute in kind, proportionally as aforesaid and at par value, the United States Government Bonds now held in such fund.

3. *Be it further resolved*, That so much of the War Relief Fund, some \$30,000 more or less, and which is the amount involved in what is known as the Haverly litigation pending in the courts of the State of Illinois, be not included in or affected by this resolution.

BENJAMIN F. BLEDSOE, *Chairman.*

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, amending and adopting this resolution, see proceedings of the seventh day.)

### 50-YEAR VETERAN JEWEL.

The Committee on Good of the Order submitted the appended report and substitute proposition, which proposition was passed on first and second reading, and, with the report, was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### Document 219.

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Good of the Order, to which was referred document 27, entitled "50-Year Veteran Jewel," would respectfully submit the following report:



We recommend the substitution of the following proposal for the original document 27, to-wit:

### **Substitute Proposition.**

A proposition to amend part ii, division vi, chapter i, section 387, of the Supreme statutes, entitled, "Jewels."

*Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias,* That part ii, division vi, chapter i, section 387, of the Supreme statutes be and the same is hereby amended by adding thereto a new paragraph to be known as paragraph "d" to read as follows:

(d) Any person who has for fifty years continuously been a member in good standing of one or more subordinate lodges shall be entitled to a Fifty-Year Veteran Jewel, which jewel shall be of the following design: A circular gold medal about the size of the standard veteran jewel with raised laurel wreath circling outer edge with ribbon tied in bow at the bottom, leaves of the wreath pointing upwards to the right and left of the bow—the wreath not to be closed at top—between the upper ends of the wreath a raised armor head-gear with visor, just below the head-gear and upon which it apparently rests a small raised Pythian triangle in usual colors and letters with apex down; back or under the triangle two raised Roman battle axes crossed; to the left and a little below the triangle a raised letter "K" and to the right a raised letter "P"; between the letters and a little below in raised figures the numeral 50 linked together with raised ribbon, upon which shall appear in black letters the word "year," as shown by illustration below. The jewel shall be made of 14-karat gold throughout, engraved on the back, furnished with a case, and each jewel shall be numbered in the order in which it is furnished. Such jewel shall be furnished to the donee at the expense of the Supreme Lodge. Application for a Fifty-Year Veteran Jewel shall be made to the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal, who shall keep a record of each jewel issued, the name of the party to whom issued, the date of issue, and shall publish list of said names in each succeeding official record of the book of proceedings of the Supreme Lodge.

And that said substitute proposal do pass.

VICTOR HAWKINS, *Chairman.*

(For action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report and passing the substitute proposition on third reading, see proceedings of the seventh day, also later proceedings of same day, when final action was taken, reconsidering, amending, and re-passing the proposition as amended.)

### **NATIONAL PYTHIAN PAPER.**

The Committee on Good of the Order submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### **Document 220.**

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Good of the Order, to which was referred document 38, entitled "National Pythian Paper," would respectfully submit the following report:

We recommend that the resolution be amended by adding the words "from the hold-over membership of the Supreme Lodge" after the word "five" in the second line of said resolution and that said resolution be adopted as amended.

VICTOR HAWKINS, *Chairman.*

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report, see proceedings of the seventh day.)

**COMMITTEE ON PROGRAM.**

The Committee on Good of the Order submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

**Document 221.**

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Good of the Order, to which was referred document 42, entitled "Committee on Program," would respectfully submit the following report:

That said proposal be adopted as submitted.

VICTOR HAWKINS, *Chairman.*

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report, see proceedings of the seventh day.)

**JUNIOR BRANCH OF THE ORDER.**

The Committee on Good of the Order submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

**Document 222.**

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Good of the Order, to which was referred document 52, entitled "Junior Branch of the Order," would respectfully submit the following report:

We recommend that the resolution be not adopted.

VICTOR HAWKINS, *Chairman.*

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report, see proceedings of the seventh day.)

**5,000 POPULATION FOR NEW LODGES.**

The Committee on Good of the Order submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

**Document 223.**

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Good of the Order, to which was referred document 71, entitled "Five Thousand Population for New Lodge," would respectfully submit the following report:

We recommend that the proposal be not adopted.

VICTOR HAWKINS, *Chairman.*

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report, see proceedings of the seventh day.)

**INFRINGEMENTS OF COPYRIGHTS.**

The report of the Committee on Judiciary (document 148, page 433 *ante*), was taken up and adopted.

**ONE-YEAR TERM FOR LODGE OFFICERS.**

The report of the Committee on Judiciary (document 149, page 433 *ante*), was taken up and adopted.

**"OFFICIAL RULINGS" BY S. C.**

The report of the Committee on Judiciary (document 150, page 434 *ante*), was taken up:

Supreme Representative Richardson, of Maryland, moved "that the report of the committee be laid on the table," which motion was rejected.

Supreme Representative Ward, of Minnesota, moved "that the subject of the rulings made by the Supreme Chancellor be referred to the Supreme Tribunal for an official interpretation," which motion was withdrawn.

Supreme Representative Ellis, of Texas, made the point of order "that any action of the Supreme Lodge would be of a judicial character, hence, necessarily void," which point was declared "not well taken."

The report of the committee was adopted.

(See resolution contained in document 226, requesting judicial interpretation of this subject matter, which resolution was adopted.)

**"CORRECTIONS IN LEGISLATION"—S. C.**

The report of the Committee on Judiciary (document 151, page 434 *ante*), was taken up and adopted.

**"GOOD STANDING"—S. K. R. S.**

The report of the Committee on Judiciary (document 152, page 435 *ante*), was taken up and adopted.

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**SPECIAL ORDER—MEMBERSHIP LEGISLATION.**

The time having arrived for the special order—consideration of the reports of the Committee on Judiciary, documents 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181 and 182—these several matters were taken up.

Supreme Representative Harber, of Missouri, in the chair.

**"Delinquent and Inactive Members."**

The report of the Committee on Judiciary (document 176, page 450 *ante*), was taken up, and after considerable discussion, was adopted.

The substitute proposition (document 177) was then passed on third reading by the following vote—rule 30:

Those voting "yea" were Supreme Representatives AGATZ, ALLEN, ANDERSON, ARBENZ, BALLANTYNE, BALLREICH, BAXTER, BEANS, BECKFORD, BELL, BINNS, BLEDSOE, BOESE, BOWERS, BRANTLEY, BRISTOW, BROENING,

BROKAW, BROWN, BRUNT, CABELL, CAIRNS, CONGER, CONNALLY, CONYBEARE, CRIST, CRITES, CROUCH, DICKINSON, DICKMAN, DINNIE, DOYNE, DYE, EDENS, ELLIS, ELTZ, ERWIN, FORBES, FOX, FROST, GILMAN, GRANT, GROSSMAN, GUILD, GWINN, HAMPTON, HARBER, HARP, HARRIS, HAWKINS, HEINRICH, HELLER, HERREID, HILLER, HUNTER, HUTCHISON, KAHLERT, KELSEY, KENDALL, KERNS, KIMBALL, KING, KLINE, KNIGHT, LEWIS, LOFTIN, LUMPKIN, MCCOY, MCCREARY, MCCUISE, McMILLEN, MACDONALD, MACINTYRE, MAXWELL, MEID, MENDELSON, MERRILL, MIDDLETON, MOORE, MORRISON, MUIR, NUZUM, O'CONNOR, OTWELL, PATTERSON, PERDUE, PLUMMER, POLLARD, PRIEST, PUTNAM, QUICK, RANDOLPH, REEVE, RICHARDSON, SCHOBERTH, SCHREIBER, SCHROEDER, SCHUCHARDT, SHARPE, SIMAN, SIMPSON, SOUTHWICK, STEESE, STEIN, STEVENSON, STEWART (M. P.), STEWART (Tenn.), STOUT, STRATTON, TAYLOR, THOMPSON, TOWERS, VAUGHN, VOGEL, WARD, WARNER, WEILAND, WEIR, WELCKER, WEST, WHARTON, WHITFIELD, WILLIAMS (Kans.), WILLIAMSON, WILSON (Nev.), WILLSON (N. C.), WILSON (Ont.), WINN, WOEHRL, WOODWORTH, WORMWOOD; Past Supreme Chancellors BROWN (Ill.), BROWN (Texas), CARLING, DUNN, YOUNG; the Supreme Chancellor, the Supreme Vice Chancellor, the Supreme Prelate, the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal, the Supreme Master of Exchequer, the Supreme Master at Arms, the Supreme Inner Guard, the Supreme Outer Guard—146.

Those voting "nay" were Supreme Representatives BUCK, DARLAND, DUNCAN, JONES, LOUCKS, MILAM, RITCHIE—7.

#### **"Annual Password."**

Document 178 (page 453 *ante*), was taken up and passed on third reading—rule 30—Supreme Representative Milam, of Georgia, voting in the negative.

#### **"Good Standing."**

Document 179 (page 455 *ante*) was taken up and passed on third reading by unanimous vote—rule 30.

#### **"Suspension and Reinstatement."**

Document 180 (page 455 *ante*) was taken up, read, and, on motion, was ordered "to lie on the table."

#### **"Reinstatement Fee."**

Document 181 (page 455 *ante*) was taken up, read, and, on motion, was ordered "to lie on the table."

#### **"Suspension Statutes Repealed."**

Document 182 (page 456 *ante*) was taken up and passed on third reading by unanimous vote—rule 30.



**REGULAR ORDER.**

The Supreme Lodge returned to the regular order of business, consideration of reports of the Committee on Judiciary.

**“SICK BENEFITS IN LODGES”—S. K. R. S.**

The report of the Committee on Judiciary (document 153, page 435 *ante*), was taken up and adopted.

**“LAW NOT RETROACTIVE”—S. K. R. S.**

The report of the Committee on Judiciary (document 154, page 436 *ante*), was taken up and adopted, and the proposed amendment to the Supreme constitution therein contained was agreed to by unanimous vote—rule 30.

**“BIBLE AT GRAND LODGE CONVENTIONS”—S. K. R. S.**

The report of the Committee on Judiciary (document 155, page 437 *ante*), was taken up and adopted, and the proposition therein contained was passed on third reading by unanimous vote—rule 30.

**PROHIBITED OCCUPATIONS.**

The report of the Committee on Judiciary (document 156, page 437 *ante*), was taken up and adopted.

**P. C. HONOR TO M. E.**

The report of the Committee on Judiciary (document 157, page 438 *ante*), was taken up and adopted, and the proposition contained in document 13 was rejected.

**LODGE ELECTIONS IN SEPTEMBER.**

The report of the Committee on Judiciary (document 158, page 438 *ante*), was taken up.

Supreme Representative Ballantyne, of Massachusetts, moved “that document 14 be substituted for the report of the committee,” which motion was rejected.

The report of the committee was adopted, and the proposition contained in document 14 was rejected.

**QUORUM OF FIVE.**

The report of the Committee on Judiciary (document 159, page 438 *ante*), was taken up and adopted, and the proposition contained in document 15 was rejected.

**CERTIFICATE OF PROFICIENCY.**

The report of the Committee on Judiciary (document 160, page 439 *ante*), was taken up and adopted, and the proposition contained in document 17 was rejected.

**GRAND LODGE VISITORS.**

The report of the Committee on Judiciary (document 161, page 439 *ante*), was taken up and adopted, and the proposition contained in document 32 was rejected.

**NO COMPULSORY BENEFITS.**

The report of the Committee on Judiciary (document 162, page 440 *ante*), was taken up.

Supreme Representative Kelsey, of Missouri, moved "that document 33 be substituted for the report of the committee," which motion was rejected, whereupon the report of the committee was adopted and the proposition contained in document 33 was rejected.

**EXAMINATION BY CHANCELLOR COMMANDER.**

The report of the Committee on Judiciary (document 163, page 440 *ante*), was taken up and adopted, and the proposition contained in document 40 was passed on third reading—rule 30—Supreme Representatives Arbenz, of West Virginia, and Guild, of Nevada, voting in the negative.

**GREETINGS FROM THE LOYAL ORDER OF MOOSE.**

Supreme Chancellor Davis presiding.

Supreme Representative Broening, of Maryland, Supreme Dictator of the Loyal Order of Moose, addressed the Supreme Lodge on the activities, purposes and achievements of said order, and extended fraternal greetings to the Supreme Lodge, with an invitation to each Supreme Lodge officer and representative to visit Mooseheart.

**RECESS.**

The Supreme Lodge took a recess until 8 p. m. this evening.

## SIXTH DAY

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### EVENING SESSION

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The Supreme Lodge reassembled at 8 o'clock p. m., Monday, August 16, and was called to order by the Supreme Chancellor, the following officers being present:

CHARLES S. DAVIS, *Supreme Chancellor*.  
WILLIAM LADEW, *Supreme Vice Chancellor*.  
FREDERICK S. ATTWOOD, *Supreme Prelate*.  
FRED E. WHEATON, *Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal*.  
THOMAS D. MEARES, *Supreme Master of Exchequer*.  
FRED J. G. MCARTHUR, *Supreme Master at Arms*.  
DOUGLAS S. WRIGHT, *Supreme Inner Guard*.  
HENRY M. WADSWORTH, *Supreme Outer Guard*.

#### ROLL CALL DISPENSED WITH.

On motion of Supreme Representative Beckford, of New Hampshire, "the calling of the roll was dispensed with."

#### TIME LIMIT ON SPEECHES.

Supreme Representative Crites, of Missouri, moved that rule 19, "No one shall speak longer than ten minutes on any question unless by permission of the Supreme Lodge," be suspended, which motion prevailed.

Supreme Representative Welcker, of Massachusetts, moved "that a time limit of five minutes be placed on all speeches," which motion prevailed.

The regular order was resumed.

#### M. F. TO COMMUNICATE S. A. P. W.

The report of the Committee on Judiciary (document 164, page 440 *ante*), was taken up and adopted, and the proposition contained in document 41 was rejected.

#### G. L. RANK ON CHANCELLOR COMMANDER.

The report of the Committee on Judiciary (document 165, page 441 *ante*), was taken up and adopted, and the proposition contained in document 51 was rejected.

### DUES OF NON-RESIDENT MEMBERS.

The report of the Committee on Judiciary (document 166, page 441 *ante*), was taken up and adopted, and the proposition contained in document 60 was rejected.

### INDIAN BLOOD AND MEMBERSHIP.

The report of the Committee on Judiciary (document 174, page 449 *ante*), was taken up, and after some discussion was adopted, whereupon the proposed amendment to the Supreme constitution, as contained in document 175, was agreed to on call of the roll by the following vote:

Those voting "yea" were Supreme Representatives AGATZ, ALLEN, BALLANTYNE, BALLREICH, BAXTER, BECKFORD, BINNS, BLEDSOE, BOESE, BOWERS, BROKAW, BROWN, BRUNT, BUCK, CABELL, CAIRNS, CONGER, CONYBEARE, CRITES, DARLAND, DICKINSON, DICKMAN, DOYNE, DUNCAN, DYE, ELLIS, ELTZ, ERWIN, FORBES, FOX, FROST, GUILD, HARBER, HARP, HAWKINS, HEINRICHS, HERREID, HUNTER, JONES, KAHLERT, KELSEY, KENDALL, KERNS, KING, KLINE, KNIGHT, LEWIS, LOUCKS, MCCOY, MCCREARY, McMILLEN, MACINTYRE, MEID, MENDELSON, MERRILL, MIDDLETON, MORRISON, NUZUM, O'CONNOR, PLUMMER, POLLARD, PRIEST, PUTNAM, QUICK, RANDOLPH, RICHARDSON, SALINGER, SCHREIBER, SCHROEDER, SCHUCHARDT, SHARPE, SIMAN, SOUTHWICK, STEESE, STEIN, STEVENSON, STEWART (M. P.), STOUT, THOMPSON, VOGEL, WARNER, WEIR, WELCKER, WEST, WHARTON, WILLIAMS (Kans.), WILSON (Nev.), WILSON (Ont.), WINN, WOEHRLER, WOODWORTH, WORMWOOD; Past Supreme Chancellors CARLING, YOUNG, the Supreme Chancellor, the Supreme Vice Chancellor, the Supreme Prelate, the Supreme Master at Arms, the Supreme Inner Guard—99.

Those voting "nay" were Supreme Representatives BRANTLEY, BRISTOW, CONNALLY, CRIST, GILMAN, GRANT, GWINN, HAMPTON, HARRIS, HILLER, HUTCHISON, LUMPKIN, MAXWELL, MUIR, OTWELL, PATTERSON, PERDUE, REEVE, RITCHIE, SIMPSON, STEWART (Tenn.), STRATTON, TAYLOR, WEILAND, WHITFIELD, WILLIAMSON, WILLSON (N. C.); the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal, the Supreme Master of Exchequer—29.

### MEMBERSHIP CARD.

The report of the Committee on Judiciary (document 183, page 456 *ante*), was taken up.

Supreme Representative Bledsoe, of California, moved that the report of the committee be amended by substituting "253" for "252" where these figures referred to the section number in document 26, which motion prevailed.

Document 25 was then taken up, and the proposition therein contained was passed on third reading by unanimous vote—rule 30.



Document 26 was then taken up, and as amended (by the elimination of section 253), was passed on third reading by unanimous vote—rule 30.

#### QUALIFICATION—MINIMUM AGE.

The report of the Committee on Judiciary (document 184, page 456 *ante*), was taken up and adopted, and the proposition therein contained was passed on third reading by unanimous vote—rule 30.

#### MINIMUM FEE, \$25.

The report of the Committee on Judiciary (document 185, page 457 *ante*), was taken up.

Supreme Representative Beckford, of New Hampshire, moved "that the report of the committee be ordered to lie on the table."

After some discussion, a roll call was demanded and ordered, and the motion of Supreme Representative Beckford prevailed by the following vote:

Those voting "yea" were Supreme Representatives ALLEN, ARBENZ, BAXTER, BEANS, BECKFORD, BOESE, BOWERS, BRANTLEY, BRISTOW, BROKAW, BRUNT, CABELL, CONGER, CONYBEARE, CRIST, DICKMAN, DOYNE, EDENS, ERWIN, FOX, HAMPTON, HARP, HAWKINS, HEINRICHS, HERREID, HUNTER, HUTCHISON, JONES, KAHLERT, KENDALL, KERNS, KLINE, LEWIS, LOFTIN, LUMPKIN, MCCOY, MENDELSON, NUZUM, OTWELL, PERDUE, POLLARD, PRIEST, PUTNAM, REEVE, RICHARDSON, RITCHIE, SALINGER, SCHOBERTH, SCHROEDER, SIMPSON, STEESE, STEIN, STEVENSON, STOUT, TAYLOR, THOMPSON, VAUGHN, VOGEL, WEIR, WELCKER, WEST, WHITFIELD, WILLIAMS (Kansas), WILLIAMSON, WOODWORTH, WILLSON (N. C.); Past Supreme Chancellors CARLING, YOUNG; the Supreme Master of Exchequer, the Supreme Inner Guard—70.

Those voting "nay" were Supreme Representatives BALLANTYNE, BALLREICH, BINNS, BLEDSOE, BROWN, BUCK, CAIRNS, CONNALLY, CRITES, CROUCH, DARLAND, DICKINSON, DUNCAN, DYE, ELLIS, ELTZ, FORBES, FROST, GILMAN, GRANT, GROSSMAN, GUILD, GWINN, HARBER, HARRIS, HILLER, KELSEY, KING, KNIGHT, LOUCKS, MCCUISH, MCCREARY, McMILLEN, MACINTYRE, MAXWELL, MEID, MIDDLETON, MORRISON, MUIR, O'CONNOR, SCHUCHARDT, SHARPE, SIMAN, STEWART (M. P.), STEWART (Tenn.), STRATTON, WARD, WARNER, WEILAND, WHARTON, WILSON (Nev.), WILSON (Ont.), WINN, WOEHRLER, WORMWOOD; Past Supreme Chancellor BROWN (Texas); the Supreme Chancellor, the Supreme Prelate, the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal, the Supreme Master at Arms—60.

The proposed amendment to the Supreme constitution, as contained in document 185, was declared rejected.

**FLAG CEREMONY REVISED.**

The report of the Committee on Judiciary (document 191, page 460 *ante*), was taken up.

Supreme Representative Grossman, of New York, moved that the proposition contained in document 191 be amended by adding the words, "the standard of the order may accompany the flag of the country, and if so, shall be placed on the left of the station of the chancellor commander," which motion was rejected.

Supreme Representative Hiller, of Missouri, moved that the proposition be amended by striking out the words, "Forever may it wave," in the fourth paragraph, and adding the words, "and during the salute," after the word "Flag," in the eighth paragraph, which motion prevailed.

The proposition contained in document 191, as amended, was passed on third reading by unanimous vote—rule 30.

**"TRANSFER, SUSPENSION, REINSTATEMENT"—S. K. R. S.**

The report of the Committee on Judiciary (document 192, page 461 *ante*), was taken up and adopted.

**ABOLITION OF SUSPENSION CERTIFICATE.**

The report of the Committee on Judiciary (document 193, page 462 *ante*), was taken up and adopted, and the proposition contained in document 24 was rejected.

**SUSPENSION AND REINSTATEMENT.**

The report of the Committee on Judiciary (document 194, page 462 *ante*), was taken up and adopted, and the proposition contained in document 56 was rejected.

**AUTHORITY TO SELL BONDS.**

The report of the Committee on Judiciary (document 195, page 462 *ante*), was taken up and adopted, and the resolution contained in document 89 was adopted.

**MILEAGE, 10 CENTS.**

The report of the Committee on Judiciary (document 196, page 463 *ante*), was taken up and adopted.

**STRIKE OUT WORDS, "AND SEAL."**

The report of the Committee on Judiciary (document 197, page 463 *ante*), was taken up.

Supreme Representative Warner, of Wisconsin, moved "that document 103 be substituted for the report of the committee," which motion was rejected, the report was adopted, and the proposition contained in document 103 was rejected.

#### **OVER-AGE DISPENSATION.**

The report of the Committee on Judiciary (document 198, page 464 *ante*), was taken up and adopted, and the proposition contained in document 105 was rejected.

#### **PAYMENT OF DUES.**

The report of the Committee on Judiciary (document 199, page 464 *ante*), was taken up and adopted, and the proposition contained in document 110 was rejected.

#### **TO PROHIBIT DISPENSATIONS.**

The report of the Committee on Judiciary (document 200, page 464 *ante*), was taken up and adopted, and the proposition contained in document 111 was rejected.

#### **CITIZENSHIP QUALIFICATIONS.**

The report of the Committee on Judiciary (document 201, page 465 *ante*), was taken up and adopted, and the proposition contained in document 113 was rejected.

#### **HONOR JEWEL TO MASTER OF FINANCE.**

The report of the Committee on Judiciary (document 202, page 465 *ante*), was taken up and adopted, and the proposition contained in document 114 was rejected.

#### **ELIMINATE MASTER OF FINANCE.**

The report of the Committee on Judiciary (document 203, page 466 *ante*), was taken up and adopted, and the proposition contained in document 125 was rejected.

#### **STANDING COMMITTEES, SUPREME LODGE.**

The report of the Committee on Judiciary (document 204, page 466 *ante*), was taken up and adopted, and the proposition therein contained was passed on third reading by unanimous vote—rule 30.

#### **NATIONALIZE PYTHIAN HOMES.**

The report of the Committee on State of the Order (document 186, page 458 *ante*), was taken up and adopted, and the substitute resolution therein contained was adopted.

### **HISTORICAL PHOTOGRAPHS.**

The report of the Committee on State of the Order (document 187, page 458 *ante*), was taken up and adopted, and the resolution contained in document 80, amended by this report, was adopted.

### **HOME LODGE ENDORSED.**

The report of the Committee on State of the Order (document 188, page 459 *ante*), was taken up and adopted, and the resolution contained in document 107 was adopted.

### **INSTALLING OFFICER TO COMMUNICATE S. A. P. W.**

The report of the Committee on State of the Order (document 189, page 459 *ante*), was taken up and adopted, and the resolution contained in document 109 was adopted.

### **BENEVOLENT FUND—\$1.00 PER MEMBER.**

The report of the Committee on State of the Order (document 190, page 459 *ante*), was taken up and adopted, and the resolution contained in document 112 was rejected.

### **PAYMENT OF DUES IN ADVANCE.**

Document 171, page 448 *ante*, was taken up.

Supreme Representative Loucks, of California, moved "that the resolution be adopted," which motion was rejected, and the resolution was rejected.

### **ABOLISH SEMI-ANNUAL PASSWORD.**

Document 172, page 448 *ante*, was taken up.

Supreme Representative Loucks, of California, moved "that the resolution be adopted", which motion was rejected.

On motion, it was ordered "that the resolution contained in document 172, lie on the table."

### **DUPLICATE G. L. CHARTER.**

Document 173, page 449 *ante*, was taken up, and the resolution therein contained was adopted.

### **BLANKET CERTIFICATES.**

The appended resolution was offered and referred to the Committee on Insurance Department:



**Document 224.**

*Be it resolved by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias,* That in the event of action taken by the Fraternal Congress, or otherwise, permitting the issuing of blanket accident, sick or death benefit certificates of insurance, that the board of control be directed to recommend legislation, to be considered at the next convention, authorizing the issuing of such blanket certificates by the insurance department, to cover accident, sick and death benefits, of all members of the lodge in blanket form, in subordinate lodges, who wish such insurance and to fix such rates as is deemed necessary by actual computation.

J. EDWARD RICHARDSON, *Md.*

RENO S. HARP, *Md.*

WM. F. BROENING, *Md.*

(For report of committee, amending this resolution, see document 236; for final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting the resolution as amended, see proceedings of the seventh day.)

**REPORT ON NECROLOGY.**

The Committee on Necrology submitted the appended report, which was adopted:

**Document 225.**

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Necrology would respectfully submit the following report:

Fitting memorial services were held Sunday morning, August 15, at the Church of the Redeemer, which services were well attended and general interest shown.

Letters were addressed to at least one Supreme Representative in each grand domain, and mailed some time prior to the convening of this body, requesting obituaries of our departed brothers. Throughout this convention we have urged that every domain furnish your committee with a list of all deceased brothers who had attained the position of past grand chancellor. We submit with this report a complete list of such obituaries and names, and suggest that those domains which have lost past grand chancellors during the past two years, and which have not furnished proper obituaries to your committee, furnish the same without delay to the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal, that proper honor and respect may be shown to our beloved dead.

HARRY A. SCHOBERTH, *Chairman.*

**JUDICIAL INTERPRETATION REQUESTED.**

The appended resolution was offered and adopted:

**Document 226.**

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

The undersigned offer the following resolution and move its adoption:

WHEREAS, Supreme Chancellor Davis, as shown in his report, ruled that a brother called to the chair to assist in the conferring of the rank of knight could not communicate the semi-annual password to the candidate when the regular chancellor commander or the regularly chosen presiding chancellor commander was present, and, whereas, the Committee on Judiciary in document 150 disagreed with the opinion of the Supreme Chancellor, and,

WHEREAS, The report of said committee is merely its view and not judicial interpretation of the law, and,

WHEREAS, There is much contrariety of opinion in regard to said matter and it is of supreme importance that in such matters absolute uniformity should prevail and exist; now, therefore,

*Be it resolved*, That the incoming Supreme Chancellor be directed to submit the entire proposition to the Supreme Tribunal for a ruling without delay, and that such ruling when obtained be placed in the hands of the various subordinate lodges through the usual and regular channels.

HARRY A. SCHOBERTH, *Ky.*

ROBERT G. LOUCKS, *Calif.*

HENRY A. HEINRICH, *N. J.*

### MILEAGE AND PER DIEM.

The Committee on Mileage and Per Diem submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### Document 227.

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Mileage and Per Diem would respectfully submit the following report:

That we have completed the compilation of the pay-roll, which amounts to \$42,568.75, less such changes as will be made by reason of excuses of members leaving prior to adjournment. The committee begs to recommend that the following per diem, in addition to the allowance ordered by the convention, be allowed on account of necessary attendance for business purposes before and after adjournment:

|                                  |        |
|----------------------------------|--------|
| Supreme Master at Arms.....      | 2 days |
| Supreme Master of Exchequer..... | 1 day  |
| Committee on Credentials.....    | 1 day  |

HENRY A. HEINRICH, *Chairman.*

RENO S. HARP,

GEO. C. CABELL,

FRED W. AGATZ,

JAS. A. STEESE,

*Committee.*

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report, see proceedings of the seventh day.)

### LIFE MEMBERSHIP CERTIFICATE.

The Committee on State of the Order submitted the appended report and substitute proposition, which proposition was passed on first and second reading, and, with the report, was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### Document 228.

Your Committee on State of the Order, to which was referred document 108, entitled "Life Membership Certificates," would respectfully submit the following report:

It offers as a substitute the annexed proposition to amend the Supreme statutes by adding thereto a new section to be known as section 225a, and recommends the adoption thereof.

WILLIAM GROSSMAN, *Chairman.*

LESLIE E. CROUCH, *Secretary.*

### Substitute Proposition.

A proposition to amend part ii, division iii, chapter vi, of the Supreme statutes, entitled, "Dues, Fines and Assessments."

*Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias,* That part ii, division iii, chapter vi, of the Supreme statutes, be and the same is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to be known as section 225a, and which shall be as follows:

225a. A subordinate lodge, by its by-laws, may provide that any member thereof may obtain and have a life membership therein upon such conditions as its by-laws may prescribe; provided, that a fee shall be prescribed for such life membership, which shall at least be equal to twelve times the amount of the annual dues of such subordinate lodge, and in no event be less than one hundred twenty-five dollars. Such fee shall accompany the application for life membership. All such fees shall be kept by the subordinate lodge at interest in such bank or trust company, or invested in such securities or otherwise as the lodge may from time to time direct; provided, that when any life membership shall have terminated the amount of fees paid hereunder therefor, may be transferred to the general fund of the lodge. All interest and income derived from the deposit or investment of life membership fees shall be a part of the general fund of the lodge.

WILLIAM GROSSMAN, *Chairman.*

LESLIE E. CROUCH, *Secretary.*

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report and referring the substitute proposition to the convention of 1922, see proceedings of the seventh day.)

### RITUAL IN CIPHER ONLY.

The Committee on Judiciary presented the following proposition, which was passed on first and second reading, and ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### Document 229.

A proposition to amend part i, division iv, chapter i, section 287, of the Supreme statutes, entitled, "Printing."

*Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias,* That part i, division iv, chapter i, section 287, of the Supreme statutes be and the same is hereby amended by repealing all of section 287, and enacting in lieu thereof a new section to be known as section 287 and to read as follows:

287. The Supreme and grand lodge rituals, and all installation rituals and service books authorized by the Supreme lodge, shall be printed only in the English language. The subordinate lodge ritual shall be printed only in cipher as hereinafter provided.

BENJAMIN F. BLEDSOE,

*Chairman.*

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, amending this proposition and passing same, as amended, on third reading, see proceedings of the seventh day.)

### CIPHER RITUAL STATUTES.

The Committee on Judiciary presented the following proposition, which was passed on first and second reading, and ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### Document 230.

A proposition to amend part i, division iv, chapter i, sections 287b, 287c and 287e, of the Supreme statutes, entitled, "Printing."

*Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias*, That part i, division iv, chapter i, sections 287b, 287c and 287e, of the Supreme statutes be and the same is hereby amended by striking out the whole of said several sections, which thereby shall be and become repealed, the same to take effect on June 30th, 1921.

BENJAMIN F. BLEDSE,  
*Chairman.*

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, passing this proposition on third reading, see proceedings of the seventh day.)

The Committee on Judiciary presented the following proposition, which was passed on first and second reading, and ordered to lie over and to be printed:

**Document 231.**

A proposition to amend part i, division iv, chapter i, section 287d, of the Supreme statutes, entitled "Printing."

*Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias*, That part i, division iv, chapter i, section 287d, of the Supreme statutes be and the same is hereby amended by changing its section number from 287d to 287b; and by striking out the words "designated in the two preceding sections" in the first line; also all of the words after the words "Supreme Lodge" in the third line, so as to make said section read as follows:

287b. The cipher ritual shall be furnished at cost to grand lodges, and to subordinate lodges under direct control of the Supreme Lodge.

This section shall take effect on June 30th, 1921.

BENJAMIN F. BLEDSE,  
*Chairman.*

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, passing this proposition on third reading, see proceedings of the seventh day.)

**CUSTODY OF RITUALS.**

The Committee on Judiciary presented the following proposition, which was passed on first and second reading, and ordered to lie over and to be printed:

**Document 232.**

A proposition to amend part i, division iv, chapter ii, section 293, of the Supreme statutes, entitled "Custody and Issue."

*Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias*, That part i, division iv, chapter ii, section 293, of the Supreme statutes be and the same is hereby amended by striking out the word "four" in the fourth line thereof and inserting in lieu thereof the word "ten," so as to make it read as follows:

293. The rituals for subordinate lodges which may be issued to any grand lodge shall be kept in stock by the grand keeper of records and seal, and shall be issued by him only as follows: To the grand chancellor of such grand lodge, or to his deputy, at the institution of a subordinate lodge, ten copies for the use of such subordinate lodge; or upon the written order of the keeper of records and seal of a subordinate lodge within its domain, and under the seal of such lodge, to replace such as may have been lost or destroyed, the order certifying to such loss or destruction; or upon the written order of a keeper of records and seal under the seal of his lodge and for his use, in exchange for an equal number of copies which may have become worn or mutilated, and which are returned to the grand keeper of records and seal with



the order. Such returned copies shall be at once burned by the grand keeper of records and seal.

This section shall take effect on June 30, 1921.

BENJAMIN F. BLEDSON,  
*Chairman.*

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, passing this proposition on third reading, see proceedings of the seventh day.)

The Committee on Judiciary presented the following proposition, which was passed on first and second reading, and ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### Document 233.

A proposition to amend part i, division iv, chapter ii, section 295, of the Supreme statutes, entitled, "Custody and Issue."

*Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias,* That part i, division iv, chapter ii, section 295, of the Supreme statutes be and the same is hereby amended by inserting after the word "therefor" in the sixth line the words "except as otherwise hereinafter provided;" so as to make said section read as follows:

295. The rituals for subordinate lodges which, under the provisions of this chapter, may be received by any subordinate lodge, shall be in the custody and control of the chancellor commander of such subordinate lodge, except when they may be in actual use during a convention thereof. When not in use, they shall be kept by him securely locked in a box or other receptacle prepared therefor, except as otherwise hereinafter provided. At the installation of officers for a new term, the outgoing chancellor commander shall deliver the rituals in his custody to the installing officer, and they shall be delivered by such installing officer to the incoming chancellor commander, upon his receipt therefor.

This section shall take effect on June 30th, 1921.

BENJAMIN F. BLEDSON,  
*Chairman.*

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, passing this proposition on third reading, see proceedings of the seventh day.)

The Committee on Judiciary presented the following proposition, which was passed on first and second reading, and ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### Document 234.

A proposition to amend part i, division, iv, chapter ii, section 296, of the Supreme statutes, entitled, "Custody and Issue."

*Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias,* That part i, division iv, chapter ii, section 296, of the Supreme statutes be and the same is hereby amended by striking out the word "but" in the third line and inserting in lieu thereof the word "except."

By striking out the words "used within" in the fourth line and inserting in lieu thereof the words "taken from."

By inserting after the word "member" in the fifth line, the words "of his lodge."

By striking out the word "not" in the seventh line; also

By striking out the words "taken from" in the seventh line and inserting in lieu thereof the words "returned to."

So that the said section shall read as follows:

296. No chancellor commander shall lend any ritual for subordinate lodges, which may be in his custody, to any officer or member of the order whomsoever, nor permit such ritual to be taken from the lodge room; except he may permit such ritual to be taken from the lodge room by any officer or member of his lodge who has attained the rank of knight, who may desire to familiarize himself therewith, upon pledge of his knightly honor that such ritual shall be returned to the lodge room.

This section shall take effect on June 30th, 1921.

BENJAMIN F. BLEDSOE,  
*Chairman.*

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, passing this proposition on third reading, see proceedings of the seventh day.)

### COMMUNICATING ANNUAL PASSWORD.

The Committee on Judiciary presented the following proposition, which was passed on first and second reading, and ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### Document 235.

A proposition to amend part ii, chapter i, section 302, of the Supreme statutes, entitled "Annual Password."

*Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias,* That part ii, chapter i, section 302, of the Supreme statutes, be and the same is hereby amended by adding thereto the words, "Provided, that if the incoming chancellor commander shall be disqualified for installation by reason of failure to become proficient in the ritualistic work or otherwise, such annual password shall be communicated by the installing officer to the sitting chancellor commander."

BENJAMIN F. BLEDSOE,  
*Chairman.*

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, passing this proposition on third reading, see proceedings of the seventh day.)

### BLANKET CERTIFICATES.

The Committee on Insurance Department submitted the appended report, which was ordered to lie over and to be printed:

#### Document 236.

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Insurance Department, to which was referred document 224, relating to "Blanket Certificates," would respectfully submit the following report:

That said resolution be amended by inserting: First, after the word "Congress" the words "leading to enactment of legislation by the states;" second, before the word "accident" of the word "group;" and, third, striking out the word "blanket" wherever the same appears in said resolution and inserting in place thereof the word "group." And as thus amended we recommend that the resolution be adopted.

EDWARD C. PLUMMER, *Chairman.*

(For final action of the Supreme Lodge, adopting this report, see proceedings of the seventh day.)

### RESOLUTIONS OF THANKS.

The Committee on Resolutions submitted the appended report, which was read and unanimously adopted by a rising vote:

**Document 237.**

WHEREAS, This body, that represents every section of the United States and Canada, and every type of manhood, calling, conviction and aspiration, has been treated by our hosts as are children of the same blood when they gather in reunion in the family homestead; and

WHEREAS, Our entertainers have made us feel that every one of the innumerable kindnesses and courtesies shown and extended to us were truly but a pleasure to the hosts—that all was done because it is more blessed to give than to receive; be it therefore

*Resolved by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias*, That the receiver, too, has been blessed and that no mere platitude is being uttered when we say that we are profoundly grateful and appreciative, and shall ever remember lovingly the convention in Minneapolis, and shall feel throughout all the years a constant temptation to return; be it

*Further resolved*, That while it is difficult to select for special mention, where so many have contributed, and emphasizing that what we say is no term of exclusion, we are moved to utter thanks for courtesies extended by Hon. J. A. A. Burnquist, the governor of the commonwealth; James E. Meyers, mayor of Minneapolis; Laurence C. Hodgson, mayor of St. Paul; the Pythians of St. Paul; the Minneapolis Athletic Club; the Minneapolis Club; the Rev. Marion D. Shutter; the Arpi Male Chorus; Mr. John H. Lyons; and the Firemen's Municipal Band. We must mention, too, the splendid and appealing symbolic Pythian decorations displayed by business houses.

We especially commend and thank the Knights of Pythias Biennial Convention Association for the splendid character of the entertainment provided; also the admirable arrangement of the program of features running throughout the convention period.

Appreciative mention is due as well to Brother DeForrest Ward, who has given us all the hours of day and night, and all of his strength. And to Brother Charles A. Greenwood, chairman of the Reception Committee, and his associates; Chairman Edward W. Murphy and associates; Chairman Charles E. Phelps and associates; Chairman Pliny W. McAllister and associates; Chairman Harry A. Lund and associates; Chairman Herbert T. Park and associates; Chairman Henry C. Hanke and associates; Chairman Edward H. Milham, of the St. Paul Committee; Mrs. Fred E. Wheaton, Chairman, Mrs. DeForrest Ward, Secretary, and Mrs. Edward H. Milham, Mrs. James Robertson, Mrs. Frederick S. Attwood, and Mrs. James A. Wharton, of the Executive Committee of the Ladies' Committee, and their associates on that committee.

We cannot be unmindful of the great kindness shown by business firms and individuals in presenting numerous attractive souvenirs to all visitors, men and women alike.

For the fraternal kindness shown by Minneapolis Lodge No. 44, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, in placing at the disposal of the Supreme Lodge their beautiful building for the convention hall of this body, its admirable appointments, committee rooms, house service, and unending courtesies, we heartily give expression of our sincere appreciation.

*Further resolved*, That the thanks of this Supreme Lodge be especially extended to the daily press of the city, which before the convening of the Supreme Lodge and since beginning its deliberations has given space without stint, and correct as well as generous reports of our proceedings. The extreme liberality with which the Minneapolis papers have dealt with this convention hereby receives assurance of our profound appreciation; and be it

*Further resolved*, That a copy of this resolution be furnished to all those persons and corporations who are mentioned herein, either by name or refer-

ence, and to all others who similarly contributed to the pleasures of this delightful convention.

And in conclusion, this body desires to express the belief that the action of these men and women cannot fail to kindle local Pythianism into an intense flame, and to express the hope that our presence here will have contributed to this consummation most devoutly to be desired.

BENJAMIN MOORE, *Chairman.*

BENJAMIN I. SALINGER.

ROBERT G. LOUCKS.

CHARLES F. P. CONYBEARE.

EDGAR M. HARBER.

HAROLD C. BRUNT.

*Committee.*

### RECESS ORDERED.

The Supreme Lodge took recess until Tuesday, August 17,  
at 9:30 a. m.



## SEVENTH DAY

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The Supreme Lodge was called to order Tuesday, August 17, at 9:30 a. m., by Supreme Chancellor Charles S. Davis.

The roll was called, and Supreme Lodge officers, Past Supreme Chancellors and Supreme Representatives were found to be present as under:

CHARLES S. DAVIS, *Supreme Chancellor.*

WILLIAM LADEW, *Supreme Vice Chancellor.*

FREDERICK S. ATTWOOD, *Supreme Prelate.*

FRED E. WHEATON, *Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal.*

THOMAS D. MEARES, *Supreme Master of Exchequer.*

FRED J. G. McARTHUR, *Supreme Master at Arms.*

DOUGLAS S. WRIGHT, *Supreme Inner Guard.*

HENRY M. WADSWORTH, *Supreme Outer Guard.*

*Past Supreme Chancellors*—JOHN J. BROWN, HENRY P. BROWN, THOMAS J. CARLING, EDWARD DUNN, BRIG S. YOUNG.

*Supreme Representatives*—AGATZ, ALLEN, ANDERSON, ARBENZ, BALLANTYNE, BALLREICH, BAXTER, BEANS, BECKFORD, BELL, BINNS, BLED SOE, BOESE, BOWERS, BRANTLEY, BRISTOW, BROKAW, BROWN, BRUNT, BUCK, CABELL, CAIRNS, CONGER, CONNALLY, CONYBEARE, CRIST, CRITES, CROUCH, DARLAND, DICKINSON, DICKMAN, DINNIE, DOYNE, DUNCAN, DYE, EDENS, ELLIS, ELTZ, ERWIN, FORBES, FOX, FROST, GILMAN, GRANT, GROSSMAN, GUILD, GWINN, HAMPTON, HARBER, HARP, HARRIS, HAWKINS, HEINRICH, HELLER, HERREID, HILLER, HUNTER, HUTCHISON, JONES, KAHLERT, KELSEY, KENDALL, KERNS, KIMBALL, KING, KLINE, KNIGHT, LEWIS, LOFTIN, LOUCKS, LUMPKIN, MCCOY, MCCREARY, MCCUISH, McMILLEN, MACDONALD, MACINTYRE, MAXWELL, MEID, MENDELSON, MERRILL, MIDDLETON, MILAM, MOORE, MORRISON, MUIR, NUZUM, O'CONNOR, OTWELL, PATTERSON, PLUMMER, POLLARD, PRIEST, PUTNAM, QUICK, RANDOLPH, REEVE, RICHARDSON, RITCHIE, SALINGER, SCHOBERTH, SCHREIBER, SCHROEDER, SCHUCHARDT, SHARPE, SIMAN, SIMPSON, SOUTHWICK, STEESE, STEIN, STEVENSON, STEWART (M. P.), STEWART (Tenn.), STOUT, STRATTON, TAYLOR, THOMPSON, VAUGHN, WARD, WARNER, WEILAND, WEIR, WELCKER, WEST, WHARTON, WHITFIELD, WILLIAMS (Kans.), WILLIAMSON, WILSON (Nev.), WILLSON (N. C.), WILSON (Ont.), WINN, WOEHRL, WOODWORTH, WORMWOOD.

### JOURNAL APPROVED.

On motion of Past Supreme Chancellor Carling, "the Journal of the sixth day was approved" after making two minor corrections.

**GREETING AND GODSPEED.**

The appended telegram was received, read, and ordered to be printed in the Daily Journal and Official Record:

WINONA, MINN., August 16, 1920.

*Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias, Minneapolis, Minn.*

Regret exceedingly inability Minnesota's grand chancellor to aid in welcoming you to Minneapolis. His absence wholly unavoidable. Minnesota grand lodge and subordinate lodges highly honored by your presence and know that results of your deliberations mean increased influence for the order. We Godspeed your going as we welcomed your coming.

HERBERT M. BIERCE, G. V. C.

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**SPECIAL ORDER—SECRET SESSION.**

On motion of Supreme Representative Brunt, of Oklahoma, the Supreme Lodge, pursuant to resolution adopted, went into secret session for the purpose of giving consideration to business proper to be so considered. After some time spent therein, the secret session was dissolved.

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**REGULAR ORDER.**

The Supreme Lodge resumed executive session and immediately took up the regular order—consideration of reports of committees.

**EFFICIENCY SYSTEM FOR LODGES.**

The report of the Special Committee on Efficiency (document 208, page 474 *ante*), was taken up and adopted.

**COMPENSATION TO ASSISTANTS.**

The report of the Committee on Finance (document 207, page 474 *ante*), was taken up and adopted.

**SERVICES COMMENDED.**

The report of the committee, on Finance (document 216, page 480 *ante*), was taken up and adopted.

**BIENNIAL BUDGET.**

The proposed biennial budget submitted by the Committee on Finance (document 217, page 480 *ante*), was taken up.

Supreme Representative Hawkins, of Michigan, moved to substitute "\$6,000" for "\$8,000" in the proposed appropriation for the office expenses of the Supreme Chancellor, which motion was rejected.

Supreme Representative Brantley, of Georgia, acting chairman of the committee, moved to substitute "\$500" for "\$250" in the proposed appropriation for the purchase of a jewel for Past Supreme Chancellor Davis; the question was put by the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal, and the motion prevailed.

The proposed appropriations were then separately considered, approved in each instance, whereupon the budget was approved as a whole, and the proposition contained in document 217 was passed on third reading by unanimous vote—rule 30.

### PYTHIAN EXPANSION.

The Committee on Finance submitted the appended report:

#### **Document 238.**

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Finance to whom was referred document 31, beg leave to submit the following report:

This committee is in thorough accord with the thought and aspirations contained in document 31, referred to it from the Committee on Good of the Order, but believes the terms of the document are too indefinite, and its probable scope too great to justify its adoption at this time, particularly in view of the large call for money that must inevitably follow its adoption.

We therefore recommend that it be not adopted at this time.

BENJAMIN D. BRANTLEY,  
*Acting Chairman, Committee on Finance.*

Supreme Representative Harp, of Maryland, moved "that document 31 be substituted for the report of the committee," which motion prevailed.

Supreme Representative Whitfield, of Illinois, moved "that document 31 be adopted and that the subject matter therein be referred to the Special Committee on Construction Fund and Work, as provided in document 137," which motion prevailed, document 31 (page 340 *ante*), was adopted, and so referred.

### PER CAPITA TAX—10 CENTS.

The report of the Committee on Ways and Means (document 212, page 478 *ante*), was taken up and adopted.

### PYTHIAN PUBLICITY.

The report of the Special Committee on Publicity (document 213, page 478 *ante*), was taken up and adopted.

Supreme Representative Crites, of Missouri, moved "that the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal prepare and distribute the press article accompanying document 213," which motion prevailed.

*Note.* Following the adjournment of the Supreme Lodge convention, the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal prepared the "press article" in the form of a news sheet, to be released for publication in the United States and Canada on September 10, 1920, sending to each grand lodge copies sufficient for distribution in every community where a subordinate lodge, or lodges, are located.

### WANTED—A GRAND LODGE RITUAL.

The report of the Committee on Written Work (document 210, page 475 *ante*), was taken up and adopted, whereupon the Supreme Chancellor announced the appointment of the following Special Committee on Revision of the Supreme Lodge Ritual and Grand Lodge Ritual:

Supreme Representative Leroy H. Kelsey, *Missouri*.

Supreme Representative Harold C. Brunt, *Oklahoma*.

Supreme Representative Clement F. Kimball, *Iowa*.

### STANDING COMMITTEES, SUPREME LODGE.

Supreme Representative Bledsoe, of California, moved "that the vote by which document 204 was adopted, as same relates to document 127, be reconsidered," which motion prevailed.

The Committee on Judiciary then presented the following proposition as a substitute for the proposition contained in document 127:

#### Document 238a.

A proposition to amend part i, division i, chapter viii, section 28, of the Supreme statutes, entitled, "Committees."

*Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias,* That part i, division i, chapter viii, section 28, of the Supreme statutes, be and the same is hereby amended.

28. The Supreme Chancellor, as soon as practicable after his installation, shall appoint from the members of the Supreme Lodge the following standing committees, whose terms of service shall continue until the close of the next succeeding biennial convention, subject to the provisions of section 47 of this chapter.

A committee on judiciary, consisting of not less than twenty members.

A committee on ways and means, consisting of not less than fifteen members.

A committee on finance, consisting of five members.

A committee on the state of the order, consisting of not less than fifteen members.

A committee on the insurance department, consisting of ten members.

A committee on the military department, consisting of five members.

A committee on grievances, consisting of five members.

A committee on credentials, consisting of five members.

A committee on mileage and per diem, consisting of five members.

A committee on written work, consisting of five members.

A committee on unwritten work, consisting of five members.

A committee on warrants and charters, consisting of five members.

A committee on grand domains, consisting of five members.

A committee on review, consisting of five members.

A committee on rules, consisting of five members.

A committee on legislation, consisting of five members.

A committee on subdivision and reference, consisting of five members.



A committee on necrology, consisting of five members.

A committee on Pythian education, consisting of five members.

A committee on good of the order, consisting of not less than ten members.

A committee on resolutions, consisting of five members.

The report of the committee, as amended, was adopted, and the foregoing proposition as contained in document 238a, was passed on third reading by unanimous vote—rule 30.

### **“THE” SUPREME BEING.**

The report of the Committee on Judiciary (document 209, page 475 *ante*), was taken up.

The Supreme Prelate moved “that document 78 be substituted for the report of the committee,” which motion was rejected, the report of the committee was adopted, and the proposition contained in document 78 was rejected.

### **DISTRIBUTION OF WAR RELIEF FUND.**

The resolution submitted by the Committee on Judiciary (document 218, page 482 *ante*), was taken up.

Supreme Representative Ballantyne, of Massachusetts, moved that paragraph 2 of the document be amended by adding thereto the words, “provided, that in regard to bonds or certificates of indebtedness in said fund, worth par or better, that they shall be converted into cash before distribution,” which motion failed to receive consideration.

Supreme Representative Hawkins, of Michigan, moved “that the next to the last line in paragraph 2 be amended by substituting the word *market* for the word *par*,” which motion, after some discussion, was adopted.

Supreme Representative Lumpkin, of South Carolina, moved to amend the document by adding thereto the following:

“*Provided*, That the Supreme Master of Exchequer do exchange the bonds now held, into such denominations as will make it possible for him to make equitable distribution as affecting interest rates and market value at the time of distribution.”

On motion, the foregoing motion was ordered “to lie on the table.”

The resolution contained in document 218, as amended by the motion of Supreme Representative Hawkins, was then adopted.

### **NO RECESS—“CONTINUE THE SESSION.”**

It was moved “that the Supreme Lodge take recess until 2:30 p. m. this day,” which motion was rejected.

Supreme Representative Ballantyne, of Massachusetts, in the chair.

**RITUAL IN CIPHER ONLY.**

Document 229 (page 497 *ante*), was taken up.

Supreme Representative Bledsoe moved that section 287, of the proposition as contained in document 229, be amended by adding to said section the following:

"Provided, however, anything herein to the contrary notwithstanding, each subordinate lodge now existing, or that may hereafter be chartered, shall keep and retain, under the sole custody and control of the chancellor commander thereof, for purposes of reference and comparison only, one copy of the present printed ritual now and heretofore in use in subordinate lodges."

The motion prevailed, and the proposition contained in document 229, as amended, was passed on third reading by unanimous vote—rule 30.

**CIPHER RITUAL STATUTES.**

Document 230 (page 497 *ante*), was taken up, and the proposition therein contained was passed on third reading by unanimous vote—rule 30.

Document 231 (page 498 *ante*), was taken up, and the proposition therein contained was passed on third reading by unanimous vote—rule 30.

**CUSTODY OF RITUALS.**

Document 232 (page 498 *ante*), was taken up, and the proposition therein contained was passed on third reading by unanimous vote—rule 30.

Document 233 (page 499 *ante*), was taken up, and the proposition therein contained was passed on third reading by unanimous vote—rule 30.

Document 234 (page 499 *ante*), was taken up, and the proposition therein contained was passed on third reading by unanimous vote—rule 30.

**COMMUNICATING ANNUAL PASSWORD.**

Document 235 (page 500 *ante*), was taken up, and the proposition therein contained was passed on third reading by unanimous vote—rule 30.

**RITUALS RECALLED.**

The Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal called attention to the legislation of this convention in the important matter of declaring the use of the cipher ritual exclusively by subordinate lodges, said cipher ritual to take the place of the printed ritual now in use, and, in the absence of statutory provisions regulating the collection and disposition of said printed rituals, propounded the following queries:

*Query:* "When and how shall the printed rituals be recalled for the purpose of officially destroying same?"

*Query:* "What disposition shall be made of said rituals?"

*Query:* "How many copies of the cipher ritual shall there be furnished to each subordinate lodge, and under what restrictions?"

Past Supreme Chancellor Carling moved "that the Supreme Chancellor issue a proclamation defining the legislation of this convention with respect to the cipher ritual, and directing the collection and disposition of the printed rituals," which motion prevailed.

Past Supreme Chancellor Carling further moved, "that all printed rituals recalled by proclamation of the Supreme Chancellor be under the custody and control of the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal for such official disposition thereof as shall be declared in the proclamation," which motion prevailed.

#### **MILITARY COMMISSION.**

The report of the Committee on Military Department (document 214, page 479 *ante*), was taken up and adopted, and the report of the Military Commission (document 70) was adopted.

#### **MAJOR GENERAL RE-ELECTED.**

The report of the Committee on Military Department (document 215, page 480 *ante*), was taken up and adopted, and the re-election of William H. Loomis, of Michigan, as Major General for the ensuing biennial term, as certified in document 128 (page 425 *ante*) was unanimously confirmed.

#### **MILEAGE AND PER DIEM.**

The report of the Committee on Mileage and Per Diem (document 227, page 496 *ante*), was taken up and adopted.

#### **LIFE MEMBERSHIP CERTIFICATE.**

The report of the Committee on State of the Order (document 228, page 496 *ante*), was taken up and adopted.

Supreme Representative Duncan, of Oklahoma, moved "that the substitute proposition contained in said document be referred to the convention of 1922," which motion prevailed.

#### **BLANKET CERTIFICATES.**

The report of the Committee on Insurance Department (document 236, page 500 *ante*), was taken up and adopted, and the resolution as contained in document 224, as amended, was adopted.

### 50-YEAR VETERAN JEWEL.

The report of the Committee on Good of the Order (document 219, page 482 *ante*), was taken up and adopted, and the substitute proposition therein contained was passed on third reading by unanimous vote—rule 30.

(See action taken on page 513, reconsidering the vote by which this proposition was passed, amending the proposition and re-passing the same as amended.)

### NATIONAL PYTHIAN PAPER.

The report of the Committee on Good of the Order (document 220, page 483 *ante*), was taken up and adopted, and the resolution contained in document 38, as amended, was adopted.

### COMMITTEE ON PROGRAM.

The report of the Committee on Good of the Order (document 221, page 484 *ante*), was taken up and adopted, and the proposition contained in document 42 was passed on third reading by unanimous vote—rule 30.

### JUNIOR BRANCH OF THE ORDER.

The report of the Committee on Good of the Order (document 222, page 484 *ante*), was taken up and adopted, and the proposition contained in document 52 was rejected.

### 5,000 POPULATION FOR NEW LODGES.

The report of the Committee on Good of the Order (document 223, page 484 *ante*), was taken up and adopted, and the proposition contained in document 71 was rejected.

### REPORT ON GRAND DOMAINS.

The report of the Committee on Grand Domains (document 211, page 476 *ante*), was taken up and adopted.

### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON REVIEW.

The Committee on Review submitted the appended report, which was read and adopted:

#### Document 239.

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Review would respectfully submit the following report:

1. That we have performed the duties assigned this committee to the best of our ability.

2. We recommend that the review committee be abolished and that the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal be authorized and instructed to appoint an assistant to act as a calendar clerk, and that such clerk's report



be published each day in the records of the day's proceedings, showing the status of such propositions as have been introduced and the committee to which they have been referred and the action, if any, taken thereon.

3. If the committee should be retained, we still recommend the appointment of a calendar clerk to assist the committee in the performance of its duties.

4. In order to expedite the business of the Supreme Lodge, we further recommend that all Supreme Representatives having propositions which they wish to submit be requested to file with the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal a copy thereof thirty days before the convening of the Supreme Lodge.

Fraternally submitted,

RAYMOND H. BUCK, *Chairman.*  
FRANK S. GRANT, *Secretary.*

(With reference to the recommendation of the committee, as made in paragraph 2, that the Committee on Review be abolished, attention is called to the action of the Supreme Lodge in revising the standing committees, in the proposition as contained in document 238a, which continues the Committee on Review as a standing committee.)

### FINANCIAL AID REQUESTED.

The appended resolution was offered:

#### Document 240.

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

WHEREAS, Supreme Representative John E. Newbury of Arizona is seriously sick in Fairview Hospital and may be confined there for some time;

*Be it resolved by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias,* That he be allowed mileage and per diem for the entire convention and that the sum of two hundred dollars be appropriated to him from the Supreme Lodge Relief Fund.

HORACE P. MERRILL, *Ariz.*  
WILLIAM A. MACDONALD, *Vt.*  
ROBERT WEIR, *Vt.*

On motion, it was ordered that the resolution be adopted, "so far as it relates to mileage and per diem," and that the request for a special appropriation be referred to the Committee on Finance.

(For report of committee on that portion of the foregoing document referred to it, recommending that the subject matter be referred to the Supreme Chancellor, see document 249; report adopted.)

### AN APPRECIATION—CHARLES S. DAVIS.

The appended resolution was offered and adopted unanimously by a standing vote:

#### Document 241.

We have watched, with growing admiration and gratitude, the splendid service performed by our Supreme Chancellor, Charles S. Davis, during his incumbency of official station in this Supreme Lodge.

Diligence, assiduity, loyalty, intense devotion to duty, unparalleled scope of effort, and marvelous success in results, have attended the performance of his duties as chief executive of this order. He has visited every grand domain; he has preached positive and compelling Pythianism to countless thousands of our citizenry, and in virtue of his efforts, the name and fame of our order shine with a new and appealing lustre.

His greatest reward must come in the consciousness, which will be his, that arduous labors in furtherance of the cause of aspiring humanity, have been most acceptably performed.

BENJAMIN F. BLEDSOE, *Cal.*

### NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS IN WASHINGTON.

The Committee on State of the Order submitted the appended report, which was adopted:

#### Document 242.

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on State of the Order, to which was referred document 81, entitled, "National Headquarters in Washington," would respectfully submit the following report:

That, in its opinion, it is not necessary to appoint a special committee to ascertain the value of land in the Capital City, suitable for a Pythian building; nor would the expenditure of moneys for such purpose be justifiable. The work contemplated by the document could be best performed by the grand domain of the District of Columbia or its representatives.

It is therefore recommended that document 81 be not adopted.

WILLIAM GROSSMAN, *Chairman.*

WILLIAM D. QUICK, *Secretary.*

### NEAR-EAST RELIEF ENDORSED.

The appended resolution was offered and adopted:

#### Document 243.

WHEREAS, Among the peoples of Armenia and Syria a most desperate situation was brought about by the world war, and continues to exist today; and

WHEREAS, The Near East Relief was chartered by the United States Congress and organized for the purpose of raising and disbursing the funds contributed by the American public, in order to relieve the destitution of these suffering races, and especially to care for the hundreds of thousands of helpless orphan children; and

WHEREAS, The National Fraternal Congress of America believes that the Brotherhood of Man emphasized in the rituals of all fraternal societies demands that fraternalists everywhere shall support all such worthy objects, and had fully investigated the Near East Relief and its plans and purposes for helping our Near East neighbors in their critical conditions; and now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias in biennial convention assembled, does hereby endorse the Near East Relief, and recommends that all grand and subordinate lodges co-operate in the accomplishing of all or part of the following recommendations, give a practical expression of their faith in the Brotherhood of Man by bringing before their membership the need of the Near East Relief for liberal support during the coming year, and to that end that they arrange their programs for meetings so as to provide for the presentation of this work by:

1. Providing a place for a Near East speaker at appropriate times.
2. Urging the support of a Near East orphan child by local lodges.
3. Letters from national and state bodies to local bodies recommending their co-operation in this work.



SUPREME TRIBUNAL KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.  
(Photo taken in Minneapolis)

Standing (left to right)—J. Lee Holloway, Montgomery, Alabama; Robert A. Brown, Recorder, Indianapolis, Ind.; Eugene E. Bone, Springfield, Ill.  
Sitting (left to right)—Milledge L. Bonham, Anderson, S. C.; Edward C. Reynolds, Chief, Portland, Maine; J. Dayton Clark, Dayton, Ohio.



CANADIAN REPRESENTATIVES IN THE SUPREME LODGE.  
From a photo (decidedly reduced) taken at time of the Convention in Minneapolis. The Canadian "boys" do this at each convention.





4. Giving all possible publicity to the Near East work in their fraternal papers and use of Near East literature.

5. Appointment of state and local committees to co-operate with the Near East Relief in bringing about these recommendations.

WILLIAM GROSSMAN, *N. Y.*

EDWARD STEPHEN O'CONNOR, *N. Y.*

JOHN STEVENSON, *N. Y.*

BENJAMIN I. SALINGER, *Iowa.*

#### POSTMASTER FOR 1922 CONVENTION.

The appended resolution was offered and adopted:

##### Document 244.

WHEREAS, A person of postal experience and with as wide acquaintance as possible among the members of the Supreme Lodge should be named to handle the mail of this body whenever such appointee is available; therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That as heretofore, the incoming Supreme Chancellor be empowered to appoint a brother as postmaster for the 1922 convention, preferably a brother with such above-named qualifications.

HARRY A. SCHOBERTH, *Ky.*

OLEONDER H. POLLARD, *Ky.*

#### 50-YEAR VETERAN JEWEL.

Supreme Representative Woodworth, of Massachusetts, moved "that the vote by which the substitute proposition contained in document 219 was passed on third reading, be reconsidered," which motion prevailed.

Supreme Representative Woodworth moved that the substitute proposition be amended by striking out the words, "Such jewel shall be furnished to the donee at the expense of the Supreme Lodge," which motion prevailed, and the substitute proposition, as thus amended, was repassed on third reading by unanimous vote—rule 30.

#### AN EXPRESSION OF APPRECIATION.

The appended communication and statement was presented, read, and "unanimously approved."

##### Document 245.

At a session of the Supreme Tribunal, Order Knights of Pythias, held at Minneapolis, Minnesota, on Tuesday, August 16, 1920, the following statement was ordered made a part of its records:

The members of the Supreme Tribunal, fully realizing that at the 1920 convention of the Supreme Lodge, held at Minneapolis, adequate provision has been made for them to keep in touch with the legislation and business of the convention; and that in common with the officers and members of the Supreme Lodge, they have been the recipients of many kindnesses and much considerate attention on the part of the public officials and local committees, they hereby extend their sincere thanks to Supreme Keeper of Records

and Seal, Brother Fred E. Wheaton, and to the committees of the Biennial Convention Association of Minneapolis, for all such courtesies.

The recorder of the Supreme Tribunal will notify the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal and the Biennial Convention Association of this action taken.

EDWARD C. REYNOLDS, *Chief Tribune.*

*Attest:* ROBERT A. BROWN, *Recorder.*

### PRESS REPORTER COMMENDED.

The appended resolution was offered and adopted:

#### Document 246.

WHEREAS, The proceedings of this convention and the publicity of the various transactions of the Supreme body have been so splendidly reported in the daily press, this convention having received more attention at the hands of the press than any former convention, and

WHEREAS, This service has been of value to the members of the Supreme Lodge in acquainting them with the happenings of the Supreme body.

*Be it resolved,* That we endorse the action of the Supreme Lodge in its convention of 1918, (document 168, page 478 of the proceedings of 1918) in which the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal was authorized to appoint an official press reporter, and we recommend that this be continued for the convention of 1922 under the same terms and stipulations of that document.

RICHARD I. WARNER, *Wis.*  
BENJAMIN D. BRANTLEY, *Ga.*  
JAMES A. STEESE, *Pa.*  
ARTHUR E. KERNS, *Ohio.*  
JOHN B. VAUGHN, *Ill.*

### THANKS TO CONVENTION COMMITTEES.

The appended resolution was offered and adopted:

#### Document 247.

*Be it resolved by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias,* That the hearty appreciation and sincere thanks of this convention be hereby extended to its various committees, for faithful performance of arduous duties; and particularly to the judiciary committee and its splended chairman, Brother Benj. F. Bledsoe, for their brilliant and indefatigable work in connection with the large amount of very important matters of proposed legislation considered by said committee, which have been handled with noteworthy tact, wisdom and Pythian fidelity.

LEROY H. KELSEY, *Mo.*  
FRANK B. HILLER, *Mo.*  
JOHN M. LEWIS, *Ind.*  
MILLER S. BELL, *Ga.*  
THOS. J. CARLING, *P. S. C.*

### FELICITATIONS TO "CHARLIE" NEAL.

The appended resolution was offered and adopted:

#### Document 248.

In 1898 at the convention held in Indianapolis, there came into that convention a strong, healthy, vigorous, big-brained man, who at once won the

love and respect of every member. So strong was he in character and ability that in two years, to-wit, at Detroit in 1900, he was elected a member of the board of control, which position he has since continuously held.

Thereafter he became president, and served with distinction in that position for four terms; and it so happens that he is now the only living man who signed the call for the only special session this Supreme body has ever held, namely the convention at Chicago. This brother since 1898 never missed a session of this Supreme Lodge; and since his election to the board of control in 1900, has missed but two meetings of that body. He has been a member of the committee on finance in the board of control during that time, which position he now holds; and during all that time not a dollar of the funds in the insurance department has been lost.

We have seen this faithful brother during this convention, not the same in his physique, not the same in his vigor, but faithful as ever. Believing that such faithful service should be recognized by this body,

*Be it resolved*, That we extend to Brother Charles F. S. Neal, our sincere sympathy, and earnest wish for the speedy return of his health; and that the return of health may not only bring his own personal comfort and happiness, but that this great order may have the benefit of his splendid judgment and activities during the remaining four years of his term of office.

FRANK M. BECKFORD, *N. H.*

CHARLES A. FROST, *N. H.*

JOHN BALLANTYNE, *Mass.*

H. OSCAR KLINE, *Penn.*

#### FINANCIAL AID REQUESTED.

The Committee on Finance submitted the appended report, which was adopted:

##### Document 249.

*To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Your Committee on Finance, to whom was referred document 240, would respectfully report as follows:

The Supreme Lodge having provided a method of affording relief to brothers in need, we recommend that this application take the usual course and that it be referred to the Supreme Chancellor for his action.

BENJ. D. BRANTLEY, *Acting Chairman.*

#### HENNEPIN COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION.

The appended resolution was offered and adopted:

##### Document 250.

*Be it resolved by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias*, That the members of the bar belonging to said Supreme Lodge profoundly appreciate the kindness of the Hennepin County Bar Association in giving us an opportunity to meet its members at the luncheon tendered us and for the pleasant hour enjoyed by us at that function.

*Be it further resolved*, That a copy of these resolutions be spread on our records and a copy mailed to the Hennepin County Bar Association.

BENJ. I. SALINGER, *Iowa.*

#### GREETINGS TO G. L. OF PENNSYLVANIA.

The appended resolution was offered and adopted:

**Document 251.**

WHEREAS, This Supreme Lodge convention has learned that the grand lodge of Pennsylvania is in convention today at Scranton in said domain; therefore,

*Be it resolved by the Supreme Lodge,* That the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal be directed to send a telegram to said grand lodge expressing our friendly greetings and best wishes.

WILLIAM A. OWEN, *Tenn.*

**DAY AND DATE, 1922 CONVENTION.**

Supreme Representative Grant, of Oregon, moved "that the second Tuesday of August, 1922, be named as the day and date for the commencement of the thirty-second regular convention of the Supreme Lodge to be held in the City of San Francisco, Grand Domain of California," which motion prevailed.

Supreme Chancellor Davis in the chair.

**CONFIRMATION OF SUPREME TRIBUNES.**

The Supreme Chancellor announced the appointment of the following Supreme Tribunes:

For the term ending December 31, 1925—Past Supreme Representative William F. Robinson, of the grand domain of Colorado.

For the term ending December 31, 1926—Past Supreme Representative J. Dayton Clark (reappointed), of the grand domain of Ohio.

Supreme Representative Whitfield, of Illinois, moved "that the foregoing appointments be confirmed," which motion prevailed, whereupon the appointment of William F. Robinson and J. Dayton Clark, as Supreme Tribunes for the terms named, was unanimously confirmed.

**"CHARLEY'S" FAREWELL.**

Supreme Chancellor Charles S. Davis, in an earnest address, expressed his personal thanks to the various members of the Supreme Lodge who had materially aided him in the work of this convention by occupying the chair at different times, and further expressed his sincere appreciation for the kindly support rendered by his associate officers, by officers and members of grand and subordinate lodges, and by the departments and auxiliaries of the order.

**INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS.**

Upon request of the Supreme Chancellor, Past Supreme Chancellor Carling, acting as installing officer, assisted by Supreme Representative Woodworth, acting as Supreme Master at Arms, installed the officers of the Supreme Lodge for the ensuing biennial term, as under:



*Supreme Chancellor*—William Ladew, New York.

*Supreme Vice Chancellor*—George C. Cabell, Virginia.

*Supreme Prelate*—Frederick S. Attwood, Minnesota.

*Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal*—Fred E. Wheaton, Minnesota.

*Supreme Master of Exchequer*—Thomas D. Meares, North Carolina.

*Supreme Master at Arms*—James H. Gwinn, Oregon.

*Supreme Inner Guard*—Douglas S. Wright, Mississippi.

*Supreme Outer Guard*—Henry M. Wadsworth, Pennsylvania.

### SUPREME CHANCELLOR LADEW.

Supreme Chancellor William Ladew, in a brief address, assured the members of the Supreme Lodge that he would give all the ability and strength he possessed in an earnest effort to build up the order during the ensuing two years, and expressed the hope that before his term expired, "the membership would considerably exceed one million."

### "WE'LL HELP."

Supreme Vice Chancellor Cabell, Supreme Prelate Attwood, Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal Wheaton, Supreme Master of Exchequer Meares, and Supreme Master at Arms Gwinn, each gave brief expression of his determination and purpose to bring about the highest measure of success during the incoming administration.

### SPECIAL TRIBUTE TO A DESERVING KNIGHT.

Supreme Tribune J. Dayton Clark was granted "the privilege of the floor," expressed his deep appreciation of the honor conferred by his reappointment, and, referring eloquently to the distinguished Pythian services rendered by Supreme Representative Deckman, of Ohio, offered the appended resolution:

#### Document 252.

*Be it resolved by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias, That the Supreme Chancellor and Past Supreme Chancellor Davis be, and they hereby are directed, to call upon Supreme Representative Deckman (now confined by sickness in his apartments at the Curtis hotel), when such visit may be made without danger to the distinguished brother, and express to him, in the name of the Supreme Lodge, its sense of appreciation for the unselfish labors performed by him in this body, and particularly as a member of the Committee on Finance, and the heartfelt hope of the membership of the Supreme Lodge that he may early recover his health and be able to return to his home.*

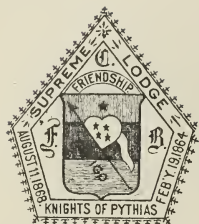
J. DAYTON CLARK, S. T.

Supreme Representative Vaughn, of Illinois, moved "that the resolution be adopted," which motion prevailed, and the resolution was adopted unanimously by a rising vote.

## AND THE END CAME.

No further business appearing, Supreme Chancellor Ladew declared the thirty-first regular convention of the Supreme Lodge closed without day.

*Dred C. Ladew*  
S. K. R. S.



## SUPREME LODGE PAY-ROLL, CONVENTION OF 1920.

| NAME AND RESIDENCE                                    | Miles | Mileage  | Per Diem | Total    |
|-------------------------------------------------------|-------|----------|----------|----------|
| <i>Officers—</i>                                      |       |          |          |          |
| Chas. S. Davis, S. C., Denver, Colo. ....             | 1,788 | \$147.50 | \$80.00  | \$227.50 |
| Wm. Ladew, S. V. C., New York, N. Y. ....             | 2,632 | 217.15   | 80.00    | 297.15   |
| Fred. S. Attwood, S. P., Minneapolis, Minn. ....      | ..... | .....    | 80.00    | 80.00    |
| Fred E. Wheaton, S. K. R. S., Minneapolis, Minn. .... | ..... | .....    | 80.00    | 80.00    |
| Thos. D. Meares, S. M. E., Wilmington, N. C. ....     | 3,176 | 262.00   | 90.00    | 352.00   |
| Fred J. G. McArthur, S. M. A., Winnipeg, Man. ....    | 908   | 74.90    | 100.00   | 174.90   |
| D. S. Wright, S. I. G., Vicksburg, Miss. ....         | 2,264 | 186.80   | 80.00    | 266.80   |
| H. M. Wadsworth, S. O. G., Philadelphia, Pa. ....     | 2,448 | 201.95   | 80.00    | 281.95   |
| <i>Past Supreme Chancellors—</i>                      |       |          |          |          |
| H. P. Brown, Cleburne, Texas. ....                    | 2,304 | 190.10   | 80.00    | 270.10   |
| Thos. J. Carling, Macon, Ga. ....                     | 2,454 | 202.45   | 80.00    | 282.45   |
| P. T. Colgrove, Hastings, Mich. ....                  | 1,158 | 95.50    | 40.00    | 135.50   |
| Edward Dunn, Washington, D. C. ....                   | 2,454 | 202.45   | 80.00    | 282.45   |
| Erig. S. Young, Ada, Ohio. ....                       | 1,494 | 123.30   | 80.00    | 203.30   |
| John J. Brown, Vandalia, Ill. ....                    | 1,170 | 96.50    | 80.00    | 176.50   |
| <i>Supreme Representatives—</i>                       |       |          |          |          |
| Andrew G. Patterson, Albany, Ala. ....                | 1,944 | 160.40   | 80.00    | 240.40   |
| Graham Perdue, Birmingham, Ala. ....                  | 2,116 | 174.55   | 80.00    | 254.55   |
| Benj. A. Taylor, Montgomery, Ala. ....                | 2,312 | 190.75   | 80.00    | 270.75   |
| John B. Boese, Claresholm, Alb. ....                  | 2,218 | 182.95   | 80.00    | 262.95   |
| C. F. P. Conybeare, Lethbridge, Alb. ....             | 2,100 | 173.25   | 80.00    | 253.25   |
| John E. Newbury, Douglas, Ariz. ....                  | 3,412 | 281.50   | 80.00    | 361.50   |
| H. P. Merrill, Tombstone, Ariz. ....                  | 3,546 | 292.50   | 80.00    | 372.50   |
| John J. Doyne, Lonoke, Ark. ....                      | 1,906 | 157.20   | 90.00    | 247.20   |
| Chas. A. Darland, Fort Smith, Ark. ....               | 1,806 | 148.95   | 80.00    | 228.95   |
| Noble Binns, Trail, B. C. ....                        | 2,964 | 244.55   | 80.00    | 324.55   |
| Eldon S. H. Winn, Vancouver, B. C. ....               | 3,588 | 296.00   | 80.00    | 376.00   |
| Elijah C. Hart, Sacramento, Cal. ....                 | 4,078 | 336.40   | 40.00    | 376.40   |
| B. F. Bledsoe, Los Angeles, Cal. ....                 | 4,258 | 351.25   | 80.00    | 431.25   |
| Robert G. Loucks, Los Angeles, Cal. ....              | 4,258 | 351.25   | 90.00    | 441.25   |
| Jos. C. Brown, Cottonwood, Cal. ....                  | 4,382 | 361.50   | 80.00    | 441.50   |
| Francis F. Schreiber, Colorado Springs, Colo. ....    | 1,850 | 152.60   | 90.00    | 242.60   |
| Chas. A. Ballreich, Pueblo, Colo. ....                | 1,940 | 160.05   | 80.00    | 240.05   |
| Vincent M. King, Danbury, Conn. ....                  | 2,626 | 216.60   | 80.00    | 296.60   |
| Theodore V. Simpson, Marshallton, Del. ....           | 2,510 | 207.05   | 80.00    | 287.05   |
| Geo. H. Otwell, Laurel, Del. ....                     | 2,680 | 221.10   | 80.00    | 301.10   |
| Albert Kahlert, Washington, D. C. ....                | 2,454 | 202.45   | 80.00    | 282.45   |
| John B. Dickman, Washington, D. C. ....               | 2,454 | 202.45   | 80.00    | 282.45   |
| Scott M. Loftin, Jacksonville, Fla. ....              | 2,976 | 245.50   | 80.00    | 325.50   |
| Hilton S. Hampton, Tampa, Fla. ....                   | 3,334 | 275.05   | 80.00    | 355.05   |
| Miller S. Bell, Milledgeville, Ga. ....               | 2,560 | 211.20   | 80.00    | 291.20   |
| B. D. Brantley, Blackshear, Ga. ....                  | 2,988 | 246.50   | 80.00    | 326.50   |
| Chas. M. Milam, Cartersville, Ga. ....                | 2,184 | 180.20   | 80.00    | 260.20   |
| Thos. R. Jones, Wardner, Ida. ....                    | 2,968 | 244.85   | 80.00    | 324.85   |
| Chas. E. Harris, Blackfoot, Ida. ....                 | 2,682 | 221.25   | 80.00    | 301.25   |
| Wm. K. Whitfield, Decatur, Ill. ....                  | 1,160 | 95.70    | 80.00    | 175.70   |
| Wm. G. Edens, Chicago, Ill. ....                      | 816   | 67.30    | 80.00    | 147.30   |
| Thos. Williamson, Edwardsville, Ill. ....             | 1,210 | 99.80    | 80.00    | 179.80   |
| John B. Vaughn, Carlinville, Ill. ....                | 1,262 | 104.10   | 80.00    | 184.10   |
| John J. Reeve, Jacksonville, Ill. ....                | 1,246 | 102.75   | 90.00    | 192.75   |
| John M. Lewis, Seymour, Ind. ....                     | 1,302 | 107.40   | 80.00    | 187.40   |
| Charles F. Remy, Indianapolis, Ind. ....              | 1,182 | 97.50    | 60.00    | 157.50   |
| Frank A. Priest, Marion, Ind. ....                    | 1,132 | 93.40    | 80.00    | 173.40   |
| Frank J. Heller, Columbia City, Ind. ....             | 1,074 | 88.55    | 80.00    | 168.55   |
| Frank Bowers, Indianapolis, Ind. ....                 | 1,182 | 97.60    | 80.00    | 177.60   |
| B. I. Salinger, Carroll, Iowa. ....                   | 536   | 44.20    | 80.00    | 124.20   |
| Jos. N. McCoy, Corydon, Iowa. ....                    | 664   | 54.80    | 80.00    | 134.80   |
| Jas. W. Hunter, Newton, Iowa. ....                    | 610   | 50.30    | 80.00    | 130.30   |
| C. F. Kimball, Council Bluffs, Iowa. ....             | 718   | 59.15    | 80.00    | 139.15   |
| Rynier V. Brokaw, Hiawatha, Kansas. ....              | 1,062 | 87.60    | 80.00    | 167.60   |
| A. F. Williams, Columbus, Kansas. ....                | 1,420 | 117.15   | 90.00    | 207.15   |
| Oleonder H. Pollard, Jackson, Ky. ....                | 1,722 | 142.05   | 80.00    | 222.05   |
| Robert L. Slade, Lexington, Ky. ....                  | 1,550 | 127.85   | 80.00    | 207.85   |
| Harry A. Schoberth, Versailles, Ky. ....              | 1,578 | 130.15   | 80.00    | 210.15   |
| Will L. Erwin, Plaquemine, La. ....                   | 2,738 | 225.85   | 80.00    | 305.85   |

## PAY-ROLL—Continued.

| NAME AND RESIDENCE                                | Miles | Mileage  | Per Diem | Total    |
|---------------------------------------------------|-------|----------|----------|----------|
| Benj. Mendelson, New Orleans, La. ....            | 2,570 | \$212.00 | \$80.00  | \$292.00 |
| John H. Maxwell, Livermore Falls, Maine . . . . . | 2,956 | 243.85   | 80.00    | 323.85   |
| Ed. C. Plummer, Bath, Maine. ....                 | 2,872 | 236.95   | 80.00    | 316.95   |
| Will A. Gilman, Portland, Maine. ....             | 2,798 | 230.80   | 80.00    | 310.80   |
| Alex L. Macintire, Winnipeg, Man. ....            | 908   | 74.90    | 80.00    | 154.90   |
| Wm. Middleton, Elphinstone, Man. ....             | 1,256 | 103.60   | 80.00    | 183.60   |
| Wm. A. Stewart, St. John, N. B., Mar. Prov. ....  | 3,194 | 263.50   | 80.00    | 343.50   |
| Geo. E. Ritchie, Halifax, N. S. ....              | 3,744 | 308.90   | 90.00    | 398.90   |
| Wm. F. Broening, Baltimore, Md. ....              | 2,408 | 198.65   | 70.00    | 268.65   |
| J. Edward Richardson, Baltimore, Md. ....         | 2,442 | 201.45   | 90.00    | 291.45   |
| Reno S. Harp, Frederick, Md. ....                 | 2,398 | 197.80   | 80.00    | 277.80   |
| John Ballantyne, Boston, Mass. ....               | 2,774 | 228.85   | 80.00    | 308.85   |
| Merrill L. Welcker, Holyoke, Mass. ....           | 2,590 | 213.65   | 80.00    | 293.65   |
| D. S. Woodworth, Fitchburg, Mass. ....            | 2,676 | 220.75   | 80.00    | 300.75   |
| Harlan P. Knight, Boston, Mass. ....              | 2,768 | 228.35   | 80.00    | 308.35   |
| Victor Hawkins, Jonesville, Mich. ....            | 1,162 | 95.85    | 80.00    | 175.85   |
| Robt. J. West, Deckerville, Mich. ....            | 1,574 | 129.85   | 80.00    | 209.85   |
| James A. Muir, Port Huron, Mich. ....             | 1,482 | 132.25   | 80.00    | 202.25   |
| Albert E. Sharpe, Sault Ste. Marie, Mich. ....    | 994   | 82.00    | 80.00    | 162.00   |
| James A. Wharton, Duluth, Minn. ....              | 334   | 27.55    | 80.00    | 107.55   |
| DeForrest Ward, Fairmont, Minn. ....              | 290   | 23.90    | 80.00    | 103.90   |
| Gus C. Kendall, Meridian, Miss. ....              | 2,210 | 182.30   | 80.00    | 262.30   |
| Benj. H. Stein, Vicksburg, Miss. ....             | 2,264 | 186.80   | 90.00    | 276.80   |
| E. M. Harber, Kansas City, Mo. ....               | 1,082 | 89.25    | 90.00    | 169.25   |
| Frank B. Hiller, Kansas City, Mo. ....            | 1,082 | 89.25    | 80.00    | 169.25   |
| Jos. J. Crites, Rolla, Mo. ....                   | 1,388 | 114.50   | 90.00    | 204.50   |
| Leroy H. Kelsey, St. Joseph, Mo. ....             | 976   | 80.50    | 80.00    | 160.50   |
| E. C. Baxter, Harlowton, Mont. ....               | 1,828 | 150.80   | 80.00    | 230.80   |
| John H. Vogel, Butte, Mont. ....                  | 2,204 | 181.85   | 80.00    | 261.85   |
| Wm. I. Allen, Schuyler, Neb. ....                 | 844   | 69.65    | 80.00    | 149.65   |
| Harry E. Siman, Winside, Neb. ....                | 664   | 54.80    | 80.00    | 134.80   |
| N. E. Wilson, Reno, Nev. ....                     | 3,770 | 311.00   | 90.00    | 401.00   |
| Clark J. Guild, Yerington, Nev. ....              | 3,782 | 312.00   | 80.00    | 392.00   |
| F. M. Beckford, Laconia, N. H. ....               | 2,858 | 235.75   | 80.00    | 315.75   |
| Chas. A. Frost, Manchester, N. H. ....            | 2,768 | 228.35   | 80.00    | 308.35   |
| John H. Conger, New Brunswick, N. J. ....         | 2,566 | 211.65   | 80.00    | 291.65   |
| H. A. Heinrichs, Paterson, N. J. ....             | 2,634 | 217.25   | 80.00    | 297.25   |
| Wm. D. Quick, Somerville, N. J. ....              | 2,576 | 212.50   | 90.00    | 302.50   |
| Hugh H. Williams, Deming, N. M. ....              | 3,308 | 272.90   | 50.00    | 322.90   |
| Marcellus McCreary, Magdalena, N. M. ....         | 3,050 | 251.60   | 80.00    | 331.60   |
| Wm. Grossman, New York, N. Y. ....                | 2,632 | 217.15   | 80.00    | 297.15   |
| Clarence MacGregor, Buffalo, N. Y. ....           | 1,812 | 149.50   | 60.00    | 209.50   |
| Edward S. O'Connor, Utica, N. Y. ....             | 2,214 | 182.65   | 80.00    | 262.65   |
| John Stevenson, Queens, L. I., N. Y. ....         | 2,662 | 219.60   | 80.00    | 299.60   |
| W. W. Willson, Raleigh, N. C. ....                | 2,992 | 246.85   | 80.00    | 326.85   |
| W. C. Crist, Winston-Salem, N. C. ....            | 2,698 | 222.55   | 80.00    | 302.55   |
| Jas. A. Dinnie, Grand Forks, N. D. ....           | 620   | 51.15    | 80.00    | 131.15   |
| Ed. C. Anderson, Fargo, N. D. ....                | 464   | 38.30    | 80.00    | 118.30   |
| C. J. Deckman, Cleveland, Ohio. ....              | 1,494 | 123.25   | 80.00    | 203.25   |
| A. A. Wormwood, Fremont, Ohio. ....               | 1,364 | 112.55   | 80.00    | 192.55   |
| Arthur E. Kerns, Findlay, Ohio. ....              | 1,310 | 108.05   | 80.00    | 188.05   |
| Jacob Woehle, Columbus, Ohio. ....                | 1,446 | 119.25   | 80.00    | 199.25   |
| Wm. Schuchardt, Cincinnati, Ohio. ....            | 1,386 | 114.30   | 80.00    | 194.30   |
| Frank E. Duncan, Tulsa, Okla. ....                | 1,606 | 132.45   | 80.00    | 212.45   |
| Harold C. Brunt, Chandler, Okla. ....             | 1,748 | 144.20   | 90.00    | 234.20   |
| Jas. G. Wilson, Toronto, Ont. ....                | 1,828 | 150.80   | 80.00    | 230.80   |
| Thomas Towers, Hamilton, Ont. ....                | 1,740 | 143.55   | 70.00    | 213.55   |
| Jas. H. Gwinn, Pendleton, Ore. ....               | 3,358 | 277.00   | 80.00    | 357.00   |
| Frank S. Grant, Portland, Ore. ....               | 3,602 | 297.15   | 80.00    | 377.15   |
| Leslie E. Crouch, Portland, Ore. ....             | 3,602 | 297.15   | 80.00    | 377.15   |
| H. Oscar Kline, Pittsburg, Pa. ....               | 1,752 | 144.55   | 80.00    | 224.55   |
| Benj. Moore, Bellevue, Pa. ....                   | 1,672 | 137.95   | 70.00    | 207.95   |
| Jas. A. Steese, Mt. Holly Springs, Pa. ....       | 2,284 | 188.45   | 80.00    | 268.45   |
| Jas. W. Hutchison, Butler, Pa. ....               | 1,846 | 152.25   | 80.00    | 232.25   |
| Harry A. Thompson, Tyrone, Pa. ....               | 2,008 | 165.65   | 90.00    | 255.65   |
| A. Sterling Morrison, Montreal, Quebec. ....      | 2,236 | 184.50   | 80.00    | 264.50   |
| Wilson M. Cairns, Montreal Quebec. ....           | 2,236 | 184.50   | 80.00    | 264.50   |
| Maxwell B. McMillen, Lymansville, R. I. ....      | 2,812 | 232.00   | 80.00    | 312.00   |



## PAY-ROLL—Continued.

| NAME AND RESIDENCE                             | Miles   | Mileage     | Per Diem    | Total       |
|------------------------------------------------|---------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Henry J. Eltz, Auburn, R. I. ....              | 2,812   | \$232.00    | \$80.00     | \$312.00    |
| Louis J. Bristow, Abbeville S. C. ....         | 2,576   | 212.50      | 80.00       | 292.50      |
| Alva M. Lumpkin, Columbia, S. C. ....          | 2,600   | 214.50      | 80.00       | 294.50      |
| Herbert E. Gyles, Aiken, S. C. ....            | 2,668   | 220.10      | 40.00       | 260.10      |
| J. Carlyle Southwick, Watertown, S. D. ....    | 530     | 43.70       | 80.00       | 123.70      |
| Chas. N. Herreid, Aberdeen, S. D. ....         | 570     | 47.00       | 80.00       | 127.00      |
| Wm. B. Stewart, Dunlap, Tenn. ....             | 1,820   | 150.15      | 80.00       | 230.15      |
| H. W. Stratton, Tullahoma, Tenn. ....          | 1,840   | 151.80      | 80.00       | 231.80      |
| Chas. F. Weiland, Dallas, Texas. ....          | 2,198   | 181.30      | 80.00       | 261.30      |
| R. H. Buck, Fort Worth, Texas. ....            | 2,224   | 183.50      | 80.00       | 263.50      |
| Tom Connally, Marlin, Texas. ....              | 2,492   | 205.60      | 80.00       | 285.60      |
| Henry E. Ellis, Denison, Texas. ....           | 2,030   | 167.45      | 80.00       | 247.45      |
| Louis N. Meid, Ogden, Utah. ....               | 2,692   | 222.10      | 80.00       | 302.10      |
| Samuel N. Randolph, Salt Lake City, Utah. .... | 2,766   | 228.15      | 80.00       | 308.15      |
| Wm. A. MacDonald, Bellows Falls, Vt. ....      | 2,660   | 219.45      | 80.00       | 299.45      |
| Robert Weir, Rutland, Vt. ....                 | 2,540   | 209.55      | 80.00       | 289.55      |
| Chas. D. Fox, Roanoke, Va. ....                | 2,296   | 189.40      | 80.00       | 269.40      |
| Geo. C. Cabell, Norfolk, Va. ....              | 2,740   | 226.05      | 80.00       | 306.05      |
| John Forbes, Tacoma, Wash. ....                | 3,550   | 292.85      | 80.00       | 372.85      |
| Fred W. Agatz, Olympia, Wash. ....             | 3,594   | 298.15      | 80.00       | 378.15      |
| Robert M. Dye, Davenport, Wash. ....           | 2,968   | 244.85      | 80.00       | 324.85      |
| Jas. H. Beans, Wheeling, W. Va. ....           | 1,748   | 144.20      | 80.00       | 224.20      |
| John P. Arbenz, Wheeling, W. Va. ....          | 1,748   | 144.20      | 80.00       | 224.20      |
| Sam R. Nuzum, Fairmont, W. Va. ....            | 1,902   | 156.90      | 80.00       | 236.90      |
| W. Frank Stout, Clarksburg, W. Va. ....        | 1,968   | 162.35      | 80.00       | 242.35      |
| Richard I. Warner, Sheboygan, Wis. ....        | 686     | 56.55       | 80.00       | 136.55      |
| Richard S. Witte, Milwaukee, Wis. ....         | 672     | 55.45       | 80.00       | 135.45      |
| Jos. Schroeder, Racine, Wis. ....              | 720     | 59.40       | 80.00       | 149.40      |
| A. L. Putnam, Cheyenne, Wyo. ....              | 1,878   | 154.90      | 80.00       | 234.90      |
| Samuel Dickinson, Hanna, Wyo. ....             | 1,992   | 164.35      | 80.00       | 244.35      |
| R. Geo. McCuish, Regina, Sask. ....            | 1,538   | 126.85      | 80.00       | 206.85      |
| <i>Board of Control—</i>                       |         |             |             |             |
| Wm. R. O'Neal, Orlando, Fla. ....              | 3,444   | 284.15      | 80.00       | 364.15      |
| Wm. A. Owen, Covington, Tenn. ....             | 1,902   | 156.90      | 80.00       | 236.90      |
| Geo. A. Bangs, Grand Forks, N. D. ....         | 620     | 51.15       | 80.00       | 131.15      |
| E. A. Horton, St. Thomas, Ont. ....            | 1,606   | 132.50      | 80.00       | 212.50      |
| Chas. F. S. Neal, Lebanon, Ind. ....           | 1,146   | 94.50       | 80.00       | 174.50      |
| Wm. J. Duval, Kansas City, Kan. ....           | 1,080   | 89.10       | 80.00       | 169.10      |
| <i>Major General—</i>                          |         |             |             |             |
| Wm. H. Loomis, Grand Rapids, Mich. ....        | 1,196   | 98.65       | 80.00       | 178.65      |
|                                                | 348,988 | \$28,791.30 | \$13,480.00 | \$42,271.30 |

## Biennial Report of Certified Public Accountants

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*Note:* As required by Supreme statute, section 70a, certified public accountants examined the accounts of financial officers of the Supreme Lodge for the biennial period ending June 30, 1920, and in accordance with the resolution as contained in document 84 (see page 392 *ante*), the reports of said accountants are published, as hereunder:

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### Examination of the Office of the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal.

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN., August 7, 1920.

#### *To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias:*

Gentlemen: Pursuant to your instructions we have examined the records of the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias as kept in the office of the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal, for the two years ended June 30, 1920.

*Inventory:* We have taken a test of the principal items in the inventory of the stock of merchandise, together with 25 per cent of the minor items, in which cases we found the actual physical stock to be in agreement with the stock ledger accounts.

*Cash Book:* The integrity of the cash and bank records have been verified. Postings from the cash book and journal have been verified and found to be in agreement, with the following exceptions:

May 29, 1920—Cash book, page 616; credit to Murphy-Travis Co., \$445.33; ledger, \$443.33; debit, \$2.00.

May 29, 1920—Cash book, page 616, Juergens & Andersen Co., \$3,384.33; ledger, \$3,386.33; credit, \$2.00.

No adjustments were made of the above items. It will be noted that this error does not affect the general accounts, being the same amount on the debit and credit sides.

*Vouchers:* All vouchers were examined for the period, which resulted as follows:

Missing—7022, to James E. Elder, G. K. R. S., December 24, 1918;

7213, to Wm. M. Gober, G. C., July 15, 1919;

7214, to John D. Loper, G. K. R. S., July 7, 1919.

Not properly approved—6915, 6917, 6919, and 7023 to 7079, inc.

The stock ledger and domain ledger have been checked and agree with their control accounts in the general ledger.

We offer the following suggestions for your consideration:

1. That an appropriation be made for a constant petty cash fund to the extent of \$300 for the office of the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal. This would eliminate the necessity for advances to be made from private funds for current expenses to be reimbursed at some later date.

2. That an appropriation be made of \$1,000 per annum for the office of the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal for postage, and instead of postage being carried in the stock ledger, as at present, that this account participate in an actual appropriation to be segregated as used for parcel post or general correspondence, etc.

We have found all expenditures to be within their respective appropriations, with one exception, which is the Supreme Chancellor's traveling expense, viz: appropriated, \$4,000; expended, \$4,235.35; excess \$235.35.

The system in vogue and as required by statute, that a finance committee verify monthly and by quarterly personal audit, the records between the office of the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal and Supreme Master of Exchequer, appears to be adequate.

However, we wish to call attention to the fact that the books were not closed as at June 30, 1918, to show the condition of accounts as reflected in the statement of that date, but were closed off on September 13, 1918, which made it necessary to adjust the accounts in order to arrive at the exact amount of expense for the period covered by the audit.

The item of \$113,321.22 with the Supreme Master of Exchequer has been verified by checking the last statement furnished by the Supreme Master of Exchequer to the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal, which reflected a balance of \$108,741.17; money in transit, receipts received, \$4,580.05; item as per balance sheet, \$113,321.22.

The item of \$7,500 is reported to be in the form of a mortgage which is said to be in possession of the Supreme Master of Exchequer. This item has not been verified further.

In conclusion, we wish to express our appreciation for the many courtesies extended us during the course of this audit, and to especially commend the services of Mr. McCracken, chief clerk.

Respectfully submitted,

EQUITABLE AUDIT CO., INC.

W. ALFRED DARLING, Secretary,  
*Chartered Accountants.*

## EXHIBIT I

### GENERAL BALANCE SHEET

#### *Assets*

|                                                      |              |              |
|------------------------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Supreme Master of Exchequer.....                     | \$113,321.22 |              |
| Wilmington, Del., real estate mortgage, receivable.. | 7,500.00     |              |
| Furniture and fixtures.....                          | 1,196.58     |              |
| Merchandise stock.....                               | 10,621.46    |              |
| Domain accounts.....                                 | 7,100.04     |              |
|                                                      |              | <hr/>        |
|                                                      |              | \$139,739.30 |

#### *Liabilities*

##### Accounts payable:

|                                                |            |              |
|------------------------------------------------|------------|--------------|
| Murphy-Travis Co.....                          | 406.98     |              |
| Juergens & Andersen Co.....                    | 3,685.64   |              |
| General fund, balance per report June 30, 1918 | 106,100.60 |              |
| Increase for two years, per exhibit iii.....   | 29,546.08  |              |
|                                                |            | <hr/>        |
|                                                |            | \$139,739.30 |

## EXHIBIT II

### STOCK LEDGER—INVENTORY VALUES

|                                          |          |             |
|------------------------------------------|----------|-------------|
| Books (quantity listed).....             | Value \$ | 3,108.03    |
| Blanks (quantity listed).....            | "        | 1,096.54    |
| Cards (quantity listed).....             | "        | 426.23      |
| Jewels (grades and quantity listed)..... | "        | 4,947.86    |
| Jewel cases (quantity listed).....       | "        | 1,042.80    |
|                                          |          | <hr/>       |
| Total inventory value of stock.....      |          | \$10,621.46 |

## EXHIBIT III

REVENUE RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS FOR THE TWO YEARS ENDED  
JUNE 30, 1920

## REVENUE RECEIPTS:

|                                       |             |           |
|---------------------------------------|-------------|-----------|
| Interest.....                         | \$ 7,165.99 |           |
| Fines.....                            | 62.00       |           |
| Grand lodge per capita tax.....       | 110,417.86  |           |
| Subordinate lodge per capita tax..... | 1,635.27    |           |
| Miscellaneous.....                    | 10.00       |           |
| Merchandise sales.....                | \$87,015.74 |           |
| Less cost of goods sold.....          | 65,998.84   | 21,016.90 |

Total earnings.....\$140,458.02

## Less items charged off:

|                             |           |          |
|-----------------------------|-----------|----------|
| Furniture and fixtures..... | \$ 912.75 |          |
| Stock, unused supplies..... | 516.98    |          |
| Obsolete directories.....   | 582.48    |          |
| Adjustments.....            | 66.50     | 2,078.71 |

## REVENUE EXPENDITURES:

|                                            |             |              |
|--------------------------------------------|-------------|--------------|
| Supreme Chancellor's salary.....           | \$ 9,800.00 | \$138,379.31 |
| S. C. office expense.....                  | 3,868.41    |              |
| S. C. traveling expenses.....              | 4,459.67    |              |
| S. V. C. traveling expense.....            | 2,086.99    |              |
| S. K. R. S. salary.....                    | 10,000.00   |              |
| Chief clerk, salary.....                   | 3,970.00    |              |
| Stenographer, salary.....                  | 2,130.00    |              |
| S. K. R. S. office rent.....               | 2,790.52    |              |
| S. K. R. S. office expenses.....           | 1,044.16    |              |
| S. K. R. S. traveling expenses.....        | 1,298.55    |              |
| S. M. E. salary.....                       | 2,400.00    |              |
| S. M. E. office expenses.....              | 180.62      |              |
| S. M. E. traveling expenses.....           | 194.84      |              |
| Miss Rathbone.....                         | 1,200.00    |              |
| Mrs. Vanderveer.....                       | 1,200.00    |              |
| Mrs. Richie.....                           | 1,200.00    |              |
| Miscellaneous printing.....                | 1,911.03    |              |
| Emergency expense.....                     | 2,888.52    |              |
| General expense.....                       | 2,261.84    |              |
| Convention expenses 1918.....              | 30,220.86   |              |
| Printing Official Record.....              | 2,234.07    |              |
| Military department.....                   | 9,651.46    |              |
| Supplies expense.....                      | 1,392.69    |              |
| Committee on printing and supplies.....    | 322.72      |              |
| Supreme Tribunal expense.....              | 1,592.78    |              |
| Pythian education.....                     | 2,239.53    |              |
| Committee on finance.....                  | 2,265.70    |              |
| Convention expenses 1918, special.....     | 497.14      |              |
| War relief commission expenses.....        | 3,359.53    |              |
| Maritime Provinces, penalty.....           | 22.00       |              |
| Supreme Lodge Relief Fund.....             | 100.00      |              |
| Past Supreme Chancellor's jewel.....       | 150.00      |              |
| Carried to general account, exhibit i..... | 29,546.08   | 138,379.31   |



## Our Honored Dead

### PAST SUPREME CHANCELLOR

Texas.....HENRY PARISH BROWN.....October 24, 1920

### PAST SUPREME REPRESENTATIVES

|                   |                           |                    |
|-------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|
| Arkansas.....     | THOMAS W. MILAN.....      | August 2, 1918     |
|                   | MIDDLETON J. MANNING..... | February 25, 1919  |
| Illinois.....     | COLOSTIN D. MYERS.....    | January 12, 1920   |
| Indiana.....      | ARTHUR J. LOWE.....       | April 1, 1919      |
|                   | CHARLES F. S. NEAL.....   | August 28, 1920    |
| Iowa.....         | JOHN CAMERON.....         | March 9, 1919      |
|                   | THOMAS B. HANLEY.....     | September 23, 1919 |
| Kansas.....       | WESLEY M. READY.....      | November 11, 1919  |
|                   | JOHN W. WHEELER.....      | December 15, 1919  |
| Kentucky.....     | ROBERT L. SLADE.....      | October 25, 1920   |
| Louisiana.....    | JOSEPH C. BEARD.....      | April 19, 1919     |
| Maryland.....     | FRED W. KRANTZ.....       | April 7, 1918      |
|                   | WILLIAM MEISSEL.....      | August 1, 1918     |
| Michigan.....     | DAN P. McMULLEN.....      | June 30, 1919      |
| Minnesota.....    | EDWARD W. DURANT.....     | December 9, 1918   |
|                   | CARROLL S. BARTRAM.....   | April 11, 1920     |
| Missouri.....     | EDWARD I. MORSE.....      | June 23, 1919      |
|                   | RICHARD H. MAYBURY.....   | February 2, 1920   |
| Montana.....      | JOHN G. EVANS.....        | October 2, 1919    |
| Nevada.....       | JOHN E. BRAY.....         | January 1, 1919    |
| New Jersey.....   | WILLIAM A. COTTER.....    | April 6, 1918      |
| New Mexico.....   | WILLIAM W. BOWERS.....    | April 23, 1919     |
|                   | BENJAMIN F. ADAMS.....    | March 5, 1920      |
| Ohio.....         | ALDEN P. BUTTERFIELD..... | November 20, 1918  |
|                   | JOHN G. REEVES.....       | May 27, 1920       |
| Oklahoma.....     | TAZEWELL M. UPSHAW.....   | March 20, 1920     |
| Ontario.....      | THOMAS H. MANLEY.....     | March 12, 1919     |
|                   | WILLIAM C. MACDONALD..... | December 27, 1919  |
| South Dakota..... | JOHN R. BRENNAN.....      | December 15, 1919  |
| Texas.....        | JOHN F. ONION.....        | October 31, 1918   |
|                   | GEORGE B. GRIGGS.....     | May 2, 1919        |
| Utah.....         | WILLIAM HUSBANDS.....     | February 11, 1920  |
|                   | CHARLES P. JENNINGS.....  | January 7, 1920    |
| Washington.....   | MARTIN D. SMITH.....      | March 6, 1919      |
| Wyoming.....      | M. C. BARKWELL.....       | July 31, 1918      |

## Our Honored Dead

### PAST GRAND CHANCELLORS

|                |                      |                   |
|----------------|----------------------|-------------------|
| Arkansas       | WARREN M. ANDERSON   | November 13, 1918 |
| Colorado       | CLARENCE M. KELLOGG  | October 28, 1919  |
| Delaware       | WILLIAM BRADY        | August 7, 1918    |
|                | LEMUEL MARR          | November 7, 1919  |
| Florida        | WILLIAM A. ALLEN     | October 20, 1919  |
| Illinois       | HENRY P. CALDWELL    | February 20, 1919 |
|                | WALES R. McCORMICK   | July 22, 1919     |
|                | ARCHIBALD G. SERVOSS | January 20, 1920  |
| Kansas         | AMOS N. GOODMAN      | May 1, 1920       |
| Kentucky       | LUCIAN H. DAVIS      | November 17, 1918 |
| Louisiana      | PAUL A. CAPDAN       | May 18, 1919      |
|                | PETER H. LEWIS       | August, 1919      |
|                | E. H. McCLENDON      | November 19, 1919 |
| Maine          | MONTGOMERY S. GIBSON | June 27, 1918     |
|                | JAMES F. TARR        | 1919              |
| Maryland       | HARRY F. STEINER     | October 7, 1918   |
|                | JOHN J. WARD         | August 9, 1918    |
|                | JOHN D. BLAKE        | March 20, 1920    |
| Mississippi    | BENJAMIN F. THOMAS   | April 19, 1918    |
| Missouri       | WILLIAM T. ROLSTON   | December 7, 1918  |
| Nebraska       | ORLANDO S. WOOD      | January 24, 1920  |
| Nevada         | W. S. BEARD          | March 24, 1919    |
| North Dakota   | JORGEN HOWARD        | April 1, 1919     |
| Ohio           | EUGENE L. CLOSSE     | July 1, 1918      |
| Oklahoma       | WILLIAM H. WALKER    | November 4, 1918  |
|                | CHARLES HOKEY        | October 11, 1919  |
|                | C. H. THOMAS         | 1920              |
| Oregon         | J. LINDSEY HILL      | August, 1919      |
| Pennsylvania   | JULIUS MOUNTNEY      | January 23, 1919  |
| Rhode Island   | JOHN F. McQUILLIN    | April 13, 1919    |
|                | WALTER WRIGHT        | January 15, 1920  |
|                | WILLIAM A. WILSON    | April 20, 1920    |
| South Carolina | JAMES A. SUMMERSETT  | January 30, 1919  |
|                | WALTER E. DERRICK    | January, 1919     |
| Tennessee      | DOUGLAS T. BATES     | July, 1918        |
|                | WILLIAM R. CARLISLE  | 1919              |
|                | DABNEY M. SCALES     | June, 1920        |
| Virginia       | JAMES W. GORDON      | 1918              |
| Wyoming        | CARROLL H. PARMELEE  | October-25, 1919  |

## Memorial Service



### CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

Sunday, August 15th, 1920, 11:00 o'clock A. M.

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"There is no death; we fall asleep  
To waken where they never weep;  
We close our eyes on pain and sin;  
Our breath ebbs out, but life flows in."

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### COMMITTEE ON NECROLOGY

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### Program

1. Organ Voluntary.....MRS. GRACE LOOMIS, Organist
  2. Vocal Solo.....MISS CATHERYN SEVERSON
  3. Invocation.....REV. MARION D. SHUTTER, D. D.
  4. Vocal Solo.....MISS SEVERSON
  5. Address, "Our Pythian Dead".....HON. WM. F. BROENING, Mayor of  
Baltimore, Md.
  6. Vocal Solo.....MISS SEVERSON
  7. Benediction.....REV. FREDERICK S. ATTWOOD, Supreme Prelate
  8. Recessional.....MRS. LOOMIS
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"Such is the use and noble end of friendship,  
To bear a part in every storm of fate,  
And, by dividing, make the lighter weight."

IN MEMORIAM  
HENRY PARISH BROWN  
PAST SUPREME CHANCELLOR

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*Note:* From the fact that the death of Henry Parish Brown, Charles F. S. Neal and Robert L. Slade occurred shortly following the adjournment of the Supreme Lodge convention of 1920, and before the Official Record was printed, and the further fact that these three distinguished Pythians participated in this convention, it is deemed best to publish in this Record formal tributes in honor of their memory—S. K. R. S.

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HENRY PARISH BROWN

Again have the shadows fallen! In the every-day affairs of life we pursue the even tenor of our activities with the full knowledge that—somewhere—the bell is tolling for a loved one who has passed to “that bourne from whence no traveler returns.” Being constantly absorbed with the duties and pleasures of life, we give little heed to the ever-present admonition that, in due time, the call will come within the circles of intimate association. It is only when the fateful word is spoken, marking the passing of a near relative or dear friend, that we keenly reflect upon the uncertainty of life and the certainty that none are immune from the great natural order that beckons all—relatives, friends, ourselves—from association with and understanding of what we term “life,” in human existence.

Deep and sincere sorrow welled forth when the message came to friends throughout the realm of this great fraternal brotherhood that Henry Parish Brown, Past Supreme Chancellor, had suddenly answered the final summons at his home in Cleburne, Texas, Sunday, October 24th, 1920, as the evening shadows were gathering. The sad intelligence of his death came as a distinct shock to those who were advised that this great Pythian and true friend had entered that long, long journey, to “the last and final awakening.”

It was but a near yesterday that he mingled in close fellowship with his fraters in attendance at the biennial convention of the Supreme Lodge, earnestly engaged with them in shaping legislation for the advancement and betterment of modern knighthood. It is hard to realize that Henry Parish Brown has taken his place in the “silent chamber” where dwell so many whom he loved, and with whom he so uprightly served. His record, his time, his service adorns the fairest of pages in the recorded annals of Pythian Knighthood. What he said of other friends, whose passing occurred during his incumbency of the highest position within the gift of this order, may now appropriately be recalled: “It is sad indeed when we are confronted with the fact that the strong ties of friendship linking us with our brother knights whom we have met on this earth, must be severed.” How true his words, and how aptly they apply as we undertake the sad duty of formulating expressions of sorrow in honor of his memory!

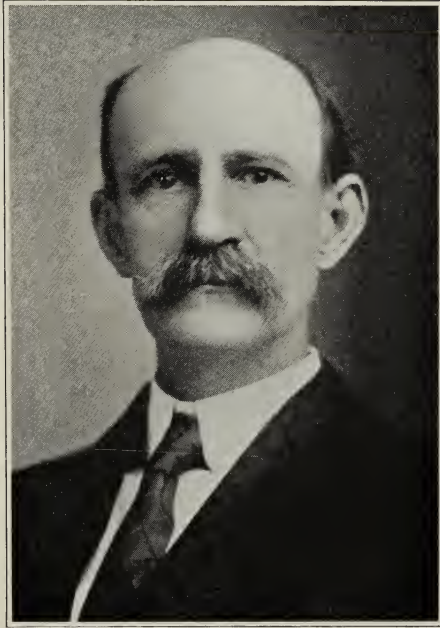
HIS PYTHIAN CAREER.

Many were, and are, *members* of this order, but of Henry Parish Brown it well may be said that his association and service was a *career* in which he gave the fullest measure of devotion. We call attention to the brief personal and Pythian mention of him as contained in “Pythian History:”

HENRY PARISH BROWN—twenty-fourth grand chancellor (of Texas) 1897-1898. Lawyer. Born in Marion, Alabama, March 15, 1857. Educated at Howard College, Marion, where he commenced practice in 1880. Moved to Cleburne, Texas, in 1886. From November 1894, to April, 1896, he was assistant attorney general of Texas, but resigned to resume practice. Initiated December 15, 1881, in E. D. King Lodge No. 6, Marion, Alabama, but transferred to Olive Lodge No. 31, Cleburne, Texas. Supreme Representative, 1900-1902, and re-elected in 1903. He is a man of marked ability, high attainments and strong individuality.



## In Memoriam



**Henry Parish Brown**

Past Supreme Chancellor

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### Born

Marion, Alabama, March 15, 1857

### Died

Cleburne, Texas, October 14, 1920

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*"His day has come, not gone;  
His sun has risen, not set;  
His life is now beyond  
The reach of death or change,  
Not ended, but begun."*



The foregoing but lightly touches the Pythian service of Brother Brown, who, from the day of his initiation, was ardently devoted to the order's welfare. Following a period of nearly ten years of constant Pythian activity in his subordinate lodge and in the grand lodge of Texas, he became the executive officer of that domain, attaining the honor of past grand chancellor on April 21, 1898. He attended the convention of the Supreme Lodge in Indianapolis, Indiana, receiving the Supreme Lodge rank on August 23, 1898. Commencing in 1900, he served continuously as supreme representative for a period of six years, and at the biennial convention of the Supreme Lodge, October 18, 1906, was elected Supreme Vice Chancellor, being chosen from a field of four candidates for this high honor. During his first attendance in the Supreme Lodge he served as a member of the committee on warrants and charters, but following that convention (1900) was appointed a member of the committee on judiciary, of which committee he remained a member until his election to the second highest position within the order's gift, rendering marked service throughout. At the convention of the Supreme Lodge held in Boston, Massachusetts, he was unanimously elected Supreme Chancellor on August 6, 1908.

His administration as Chief Executive was marked with the same devotion that characterized his service in all the previous years of his Pythian activity, but with the added import and responsibility of the widest field of activity. He was a painstaking, able executive, thoroughly sincere and conscientious in his every duty, and in his dealings with official associates and the order at large. He won a high place in the field of oratory, and his public addresses delivered under the order's auspices, in both the United States and Canada, "aroused Pythian endeavors and enthusiasm" wherever he brought his brilliant message. By disposition and nature he was the personification of gentleness, always modest and unassuming, and with a kindness of heart that won admiration and lasting friendships. He typified to a marked degree the truism so well expressed—"nothing is so strong as gentleness; nothing so gentle as real strength."

During his term as Supreme Chancellor, the Grim Reaper relentlessly held sway, breaking the ranks of his close associates and co-workers in the field of Pythian endeavor. Two of his official family—Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal Dr. R. L. C. White, and Supreme Outer Guard William D. Cameron—died within the first year of his administration, and the ranks of friendship were further broken by the death of Supreme Tribune John H. Alexander; Past Supreme Chancellor Wilbur H. Myers; Supreme Representatives Aaron B. Gardener, New York, and Cyrus W. Hall of West Virginia; and Past Supreme Representatives William D. Kennedy of Illinois, A. P. Riddle of Kansas, and James C. De la Mare of New York. The breaking of these ties brought to him deep and keen sorrow, and to the memory of each he dedicated in his official report tributes of sincere appreciation.

It is deemed appropriate at this time to quote the following expression of his personality and impress of his administration as contained in the Official Record of the Supreme Lodge, 1910:

Avoiding all set standards, it is singularly fitting to "speed the parting guest," and, speaking on behalf of the Supreme Lodge and the membership of the order, it may safely be said that throughout the supreme domain, there rises a general and generous meed of praise to Hon. Henry Parish Brown, of Cleburne, Texas, for the able, dignified, masterful, kindly and fraternal administration that he has given to this great fraternity. As a man, a citizen and a Pythian, his earnest, painstaking and faithful services to this order, throughout his biennial term, have been of encouragement, benefit, help and uplift. His genial personality, his rugged honesty, his sincere appreciation of Pythian ideals and manhood, have made and wrought in him a masterly executive. His work for and in behalf of this order has been such as to win for him high praise, and wherever he has gone, bearing the proud mission of Pythian knighthood, he has elevated manhood and made the influence of his high station felt for lasting benefit and good. Long will he be remembered by those for whom and with whom he has so ably served. In all relations, whether fraternal or official, he has set a high standard, and his great and good work will be appreciated and remembered through all the years to come, as his name takes a proud and commanding position among America's distinguished sons who

have preceded him—as well as among those who will follow him—in the service of this great fraternal brotherhood. May his after years be filled with peace and plenty, and may the richest and choicest of life's blessings be his portion.

While deservedly enjoying the highest honors within the gift of Pythian Knighthood, he never neglected his subordinate lodge—the “heart of the order”—and we cannot more clearly express this thought than by quoting the following tender expression by Brother Henry Miller, Grand Keeper of Records and Seal of Texas:

I fully realize the loss of a true friend, one whom I shall sadly miss, as we were intimate together for a long number of years. Brother Brown, while he attained the highest honor in the gift of the Pythians of the supreme domain, never failed to attend his subordinate lodge, and he was faithful in that direction to the last. Whenever duty called him, or he received an invitation from our small subordinate lodges, to visit them and speak to them, he always responded to the call.

#### SICKNESS AND DEATH.

Brother Brown had been enjoying good health, in fact, “he had but little sickness to contend with at any time.” The week preceding his death he visited Dallas, and while there had an attack of indigestion, from which he soon recovered. His attending physician advised him that he could safely attend the Dallas Fair on Saturday, October 23, which he did, returning home that evening, seemingly in good health. On Sunday afternoon, October 24th, he announced that he was not feeling well, and at 5:30 p. m. suddenly passed away, his death being caused by acute indigestion and heart failure.

#### BURIED WITH PYTHIAN HONORS.

Owing to the absence of his daughter, Mrs. Baker, who, with her husband, was visiting in Mexico City, at time of his death, the funeral was not held until Thursday, October 28th. At the request of Mrs. Brown, these sad exercises were of a strictly Pythian character. The grand lodge of Texas was officially represented by Supreme Representative Charles F. Weiland, Past Grand Chancellors W. Alex. Abey and George D. Shaw, also by Grand Keeper of Records and Seal Henry Miller. By request of Supreme Chancellor Ladew, the Supreme Lodge was officially represented by Supreme Representative Frank E. Duncan, of Oklahoma.

#### FAREWELL.

The biennial convention of the Supreme Lodge, held in Minneapolis, August 10-17, 1920, long will be remembered because of the sorrow brought directly within its circle. Brother Brown was in attendance at this convention, the many interesting experiences of which he most thoroughly enjoyed. During the convention a group picture was taken of the Past Supreme Chancellors, and this, probably, was the last photo-likeness taken of our late brother. Outside of Pythian circles in Texas, there is no place within the order where, during the years to come, Brother Brown will be more keenly missed than in the Supreme Lodge, as this body assembles in future conventions. From near and remote sections of the supreme domain there have come sincere words expressing the great personal loss sustained by his death. To the bereaved widow, who, with him, so much enjoyed these biennial gatherings, there goes forth the sympathy and sorrow felt by her many friends throughout the order. They join with her in mourning this great loss—the passing of husband, father, and the friend of all.

Henry Parish Brown has left a memory that will be cherished through the coming years by those who shared companionship and friendship with him, and in the true sense that “each departed friend is a magnet that attracts us to the next world.”

FRED E. WHEATON, S. K. R. S.



IN MEMORIAM  
COLOSTIN DE KALB MYERS  
CHIEF TRIBUNE

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Judge Colostin De Kalb Myers, Chief Tribune of the Supreme Tribunal, Knights of Pythias, died suddenly at his home in Bloomington, Illinois, at 11:15 p. m., Monday, January 12, 1920.

Announcement of his death was received by the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal at 3:30 p. m., January 13th, in a telegram from Harry E. Riddle, of Bloomington, saying: "Judge Myers died last evening." In this connection, as frequently occurs among mortals, there is afforded an opportunity to mention an incident that borders upon premonition or mental telepathy—a happening that cannot be explained with any clearness of understanding. Three hours before we were advised of his death, his personality came before us, and we took from our cabinet of cuts and engravings a half-tone likeness of this noted and beloved Pythian, for the purpose of publishing same in this number of *The Advocate*—the impelling thought being in connection with his services in this order and the fact that, on December 31, 1919, just a few days before, he officially retired as a member and Chief Tribune of the Supreme Tribunal of this order. There may be nothing of premonition in this incident, but the fact that the happening occurred very shortly after the mantle of death had closed about him, makes the circumstance peculiarly interesting.

Brother Myers had been in failing health for several months, being afflicted with Bright's disease, complicated with other ailments. The end came, however, with "shocking suddenness," as but very few of his friends were aware of his critical condition. He and Mrs. Myers had made plans to go to Florida in just a few days to spend the balance of the winter. He spent most of his time, just three days before his death, in making arrangements for this trip, and it is thought that his exposure to cold weather brought on the acute attack that so suddenly resulted in his death. Life's race with him had run, and "the end came peacefully."

His Pythian career stands out with decided prominence, not only by reason of his distinguished service as a member and leader in the judicial department of Pythian government, but because of the long tenure of his membership in this order, the honors he deservedly attained, and the fact that, far and wide, he was beloved by all who knew him, winning and meriting the respect and high esteem of every member with whom he came in contact, and by those who knew of his deep interest, ardent love, and fine contributions to the weal and welfare of the order at large. His decisions as a member of the Supreme Tribunal are widely recognized because of their clearness and soundness in interpreting, judicially, the meaning and force of Pythian law. It will be recalled that just a few years ago, all decisions of the tribunal were collated, codified and published in a single volume. This important work was intrusted to his care, and the name "Myers" will ever hereafter adorn this publication, and also the subsequent decisions so clearly and concisely reported by him.

He was initiated in Damon Lodge No. 10, Bloomington, Illinois, January 10, 1878, just forty-two years ago. His rise in this order commenced almost from the time of his initiation, and upon his admission to the grand lodge it was foreseen that he was destined to occupy its highest positions of trust and responsibility. He was the 18th grand chancellor of Illinois, serving in 1886-1887, and entered the supreme lodge as a supreme representative in

1896, where he served three terms of four years each, a period of twelve years, retiring as supreme representative with the convention of 1906, when he was nominated and confirmed as a supreme tribune in the order's judicial department.

During his life he served on the bench in Illinois for many years, as judge of the county court, circuit court and appellate court. He was born in Racine, Ohio, May 7, 1847, was a veteran of the Civil War, a graduate of the Normal University of Lebanon, Ohio, and took his law course at Michigan University. As citizen, Pythian and friend, he will be long remembered as one "who served mankind."

FRED E. WHEATON, *S. K. R. S.*

## IN MEMORIAM

CHARLES F. S. NEAL, P. S. R.

BOARD OF CONTROL

It is an old and a true saying, "Death loves a shining mark." It is doubtful if any man in the Pythian order was more widely and favorably known personally and by reputation, than Charles F. S. Neal, of Indiana. During the Minneapolis convention of the Supreme Lodge, possibly by reason of the known fact that he was in very poor health, appropriate resolutions were adopted, reciting his long and active Pythian career. Following the convention, he went to Rochester for consultation regarding his condition, which was found to be decidedly serious. An operation was decided upon, and although the chance of success was very slight, he wanted to take that chance. His death occurred August 28th.

Much already has been published concerning his work in behalf of the Pythian order, but through the kindness of Supreme Representative Frank Bowers, of Indiana, we were favored with the following review of his life, career and service:

The late Charles F. S. Neal was a native of Boone County, Indiana, and a resident at Lebanon at the time of his death, which occurred August 28, 1920, at Rochester, Minnesota, whither he had gone for surgical treatment on August 18th, the morning following the close of the Supreme Lodge convention. He had been in ill health for several months.

There was scarcely a civic movement for local benefit to his home city and county in which he was not either active or a leader. He was a prime mover in all public improvements—county buildings, systems of drainage, hospitals, streets and better roads, public utilities. Politically he was a Democrat, but later affiliating with the Hearst movement as a member of the National Committee, but more recently had aligned himself with the Republican party. He was principal in the firm of Neal and Company, engaged in real estate and insurance; president of the Lebanon Board of Education and of the Oak Hill Cemetery Association.

He was a member of the Odd Fellows, Knights of Maccabees, Masons, and Knights of Pythias. He received the rank of knight in Lebanon Lodge No. 45, April 19th, 1880; was elected chancellor commander June 3, 1884; was admitted to the Grand Lodge of Indiana as a past chancellor and representative, June 5, 1887; was elected grand master of exchequer June 4, 1889, serving in that office two years; elected grand chancellor June 3, 1896; entered the Supreme Lodge as Supreme Representative August 23, 1898; elected member of the Board of Control August 31, 1900; appointed President Board of Control January 28, 1901; re-elected August 18, 1904, resigned and re-elected to Board of Control, where he served until death.

The funeral ceremonies and burial occurred on September 1 at the Neal home, in charge of Rev. R. H. Kent, of Franklin, a former pastor of the family. Reverends S. H. Huff and O. H. Carmichael, local ministers, assisted. James E. Watson, P. S. R., of Rushville, delivering a touching tribute and eulogy to the memory of the deceased and W. L. Heiskell, P. S. R., of Indianapolis, performed the ritualistic ceremonies of the order on behalf of Lebanon Lodge and the Grand Lodge of Indiana. The floral tributes from neighbors, non-resident friends, the local and the grand lodge, were unusually profuse and elaborate. The numerous messages of condolence and sympathy received by the family from prominent members of the order throughout the Supreme

domain gave evidence of the esteem in which the deceased was held. The active pallbearers were H. C. Ulin, Chicago; A. E. Witt, Lafayette Wilson, J. P. Cloverdale, Philip Adler, of Indianapolis; W. T. Hooton, John H. Frank and S. M. Storm, of Lebanon—all close personal friends and former business associates. The honorary pall-bearers were Supreme Chancellors William Ladew, of New York; grand lodge officers—John W. Craig, G. C., Harry M. Thompson, G. P., R. A. Brown, G. K. R. S., W. A. Morris, G. M. E., Homer Bassett, G. I. G., Supreme Representatives Charles F. Remy, Frank A. Priest, Frank Bowers; Harry Wade and W. O. Powers, President and Secretary of the Insurance Department; and Past Supreme Representatives James E. Watson, W. L. Heiskell, W. P. Hart, A. M. Brown, Jonce Monyhan, C. A. Tindall and John W. McCardle.

Deceased was twice married. His two children—Thomas L. Neal and Grace Neal—his second wife, two sisters and two brothers survive him. "I hope to get back home in time to attend the grand lodge convention in October and install or see Tommy installed as the next grand chancellor of Indiana," was the last remark he made to me before he boarded his train for Rochester, at our parting at the station on the morning of August 18th—vain hope.

FRED E. WHEATON, S. K. R. S.



## TRIBUTES IN MEMORIAM

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Herewith follow the tributes prepared by Supreme Representatives and others, which papers were filed with the Committee on Necrology and subsequently delivered to the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal for publication in the Official Record:

(*Note:* The tributes are arranged in alphabetical order by grand domains, with regard to the dates of death, or honors attained by the deceased.)

### *Arkansas—*

#### THOMAS W. MILAN, P. S. R.

Thomas W. Milan was born October 8, 1859. He was initiated in Centennial Lodge No. 5, Hot Springs, Arkansas, October 8, 1890, attaining the ranks of knighthood on the thirty-first anniversary of his birth. He was elected grand chancellor on May 18, 1897, and served as supreme representative in 1900-1902. He served the grand domain as grand keeper of records and seal from September 20, 1915, to May 21, 1918. His death occurred August 2, 1918.

"The strife is o'er. The battle done!  
The victory of life is won;  
The song of triumph has begun."

#### MIDDLETON J. MANNING, P. S. R.

Middleton J. Manning was initiated in Cowan Lodge No. 39, Clarendon, Arkansas, in January, 1888; was elected grand chancellor, May 16, 1892, and served as supreme representative in 1896-1898, was re-elected, and served in 1902-1904. He was born July 7, 1861, and died February 25, 1919.

"His life was gentle, and the elements  
So mixed in him, that Nature might stand up  
And say to all the world, This was a man."

#### WARREN M. ANDERSON, P. G. C.

Warren M. Anderson was a charter member of James A. Jackson Lodge No. 13, Monticello, Arkansas, instituted May 10, 1881. It was said of him that "his one interest in life was his lodge." He was elected grand chancellor, May 19, 1886. His death occurred November 13, 1918.

"His day has come, not gone;  
His sun has risen, not set;  
His life is now beyond  
The reach of death or change,  
Not ended but begun."

JOHN J. DOYNE, *Ark.*

CHARLES A. DARLAND, *Ark.*

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### *Colorado—*

#### CLARENCE M. KELLOGG, P. G. C.

Clarence M. Kellogg, past grand chancellor, died October 28, 1919, "after sixty years of life, during which he lived to bless mankind." Denver Lodge No. 41, of which the deceased was a member, adopted appropriate resolutions, which were published in the Pythian press, together with an extended review of his life and Pythian service. Grand Chancellor William E. Smith paid the following tribute to the memory of Brother Kellogg:

"He gave to Pythians and Pythianism almost thirty-seven years of service and activity. He was initiated at the institution of Armor Lodge No. 36, Independence, Wisconsin, January 18, 1883. Removing to Minneapolis, Minnesota, in 1884, he affiliated with Minnehaha Lodge No. 34, of that city. Returning to Wisconsin in 1886, he assisted in the organization of High Cliff Lodge No. 68, at Galesville, August 8, 1889, at which time the honor of past chancellor was conferred upon him. He received the grand lodge rank in the grand lodge of Wisconsin, March 10, 1891. Affiliated with Rathbone Lodge No. 59, at Denver, Colorado, January 18, 1899, in which lodge he retained his membership until his death.

"He was admitted to the grand lodge of Colorado at its annual convention of 1899; was appointed grand tribune to fill a vacancy in 1901 and served a full term in that capacity, 1904-1907. Was elected to and served full terms in the various grand lodge offices as follows: grand inner guard, 1908-09; grand master at arms, 1909-10; grand prelate, 1910-11; grand vice chancellor, 1911-12; grand chancellor, 1912-13; Alternate Supreme Representative, 1916-19 and at the time of his death was one of the board of trustees of the permanent Pythian relief fund, legislation providing for, and governing which, he assisted in formulating.

"Among the members of our order in each grand domain are always a few strong figures who tower above all others in the bigness and grandeur of their characters. Men who, by the kindness of their hearts and the fidelity of their purposes, have helped to better mankind; who, in the generosity of their being have daily bordered the pathway of life with the flowers of love and helped to perpetuate the noble principles of friendship, charity and benevolence. Our departed brother, Clarence M. Kellogg, was such a man. "By his deeds ye shall know him." He has gone, but the good he has done and the service he has rendered to mankind shall live in Pythian history through all the ages. Let us bow our heads and shed a tear in memory of one of God's noblemen."

FRANCIS F. SCHREIBER, *Col.*  
CHARLES A. BALLREICH, *Col.*

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### *Illinois—*

#### WALES R. McCORMICK, P. G. C.

Wales R. McCormick, past grand chancellor of Illinois, died in the home of his son, C. C. McCormick, at Quincy, July 22, 1919. Born in St. Louis county, Mo., July 4, 1832. Mr. McCormick was 87 years old and one of the oldest printers in this vicinity. In 1847, at the age of 15, he began learning the printers' trade in the office of Joe P. Winchel in Palmyra, and when, two years later, Mr. Winchel moved his office to Hannibal, Mr. McCormick went with him.

While working as an apprentice in the trade in Hannibal, Mr. McCormick worked alongside of Samuel Clemens, known better under the pen name of Mark Twain. The friendship there started between Mr. McCormick and Samuel Clemens was never forgotten and when Mr. McCormick was grand chancellor, Mr. Clemens sent him a beautiful lodge charm as a token of esteem.

In the organization of the Knights of Pythias in this domain Brother McCormick had a prominent part. He was the oldest past grand chancellor in Illinois.

During his long residence in Quincy he made the acquaintance of many of its best business men, among whom he always was received with respect. He was a great lover of sports, including baseball and horse-racing, and always enjoyed attending the games and races.

## ARCHIBALD G. SERVOSS, P. G. C.

Archibald Gooding Servoss was the twenty-ninth grand chancellor of Illinois, serving in 1897-1898. He was born in Salt Creek township, Mason county, Illinois, July 21, 1864. Graduated from the High School in Havana, in 1884; attended Jefferson Medical College in 1885-1886, and after graduating began the practice of medicine. He was married March 14, 1888, to Miss Carrie E. Cross; the widow and one son, Harold Servoss, also a grandson, survive him. He joined Havana Lodge No. 258, Knights of Pythias, Havana, Illinois, as a charter member, July 10, 1890. He died January 20, 1920, and was buried at Forest City, Illinois.

## HENRY P. CALDWELL, P. G. C.

Henry Palmer Caldwell, for 41 years grand keeper of records and seal, died at his residence, 5240 Kenmore avenue, Chicago, at 12 o'clock noon, February 20, 1919.

A little more than a year previous, Brother Caldwell, while crossing a street in the downtown district, was struck by a mail motor truck and sustained serious injuries. While he made good recovery from this injury, it was followed by a severe surgical operation, from which time he gradually failed.

The body laid in state in the main hall, Oriental Consistory, Dearborn street and Walton place, from Tuesday noon, February 25, until the hour of the funeral, 1:30 p. m., Wednesday, February 26. Burial at Elmwood cemetery.

Henry P. Caldwell was a native of the great Buckeye state, Washington being his birthplace, in 1840. He received his education in private schools in that town and graduated from Jefferson College, Canonsburg, Pa., in 1861.

He remained in peaceful pursuits of private life until the Civil War, when he volunteered as a private and assisted in raising a company which was assigned to the 12th Regiment, Ohio Volunteer Cavalry. He was elected first lieutenant of the company, and he continued in the service two years but was compelled to resign on account of ill health before the close of the war.

He was in command of his company when engaged in two battles with rebel troops, under the command of the celebrated raider, John Morgan, the first at Mt. Sterling, Ky., on June 9, 1864, and the second at Cynthiana, Ky., June 12, 1864, in both of which our troops were victorious. It was a singular fact that more rebels were killed in this engagement than were wounded.

He was then detailed as member of the Board of Examiners of Applicants for commissions of officers for the United States Colored troops; James S. Brisbin and Henry P. Wade, son of the senator of Ohio, were also members of this board.

In September, 1867, he arrived in Chicago, engaging first in the drug business, and afterwards in real estate and loan business, in which he was very successful.

He was thrown into business relations with Henry Clay Berry, who was then engaged in promoting the Order of the Knights of Pythias, and he induced Brother Caldwell to give him his application to Board of Trade Lodge No. 4 (name afterward changed to Gauntlet), and he was initiated February 12, 1870. He at once became an active member, serving some years as master of exchequer and later as chancellor commander.

He had the grand lodge rank conferred on him January 15, 1872, and attended every session of the grand lodge from that date. In 1876 he was appointed grand trustee, to fill a vacancy, and filled out the remainder of that term.

In 1877 the grand lodge met in Springfield and Brother Caldwell was solicited to become a candidate for the office of grand keeper of records and seal. He refused to consider the matter, but was finally persuaded to accept the nomination. He was elected and re-elected every year. At the same convention he was elected grand trustee and held the two offices at the same time, the only case on record where one held two grand lodge offices at one time.

At that time there were but 2,000 members in the state, where now there are over 52,000, and it is largely owing to his zeal for the order and his ability in directing the affairs of his office that Illinois stands fourth in the list of grand domains in point of numbers, and the peer of any in loyalty and devotion to the principles of the order. He conducted the largest and most important grand lodge office in the Supreme domain and devoted his whole time to the work.

In 1886 the rank of past grand chancellor was conferred upon him by reason of having served five consecutive years in the office of grand keeper of records and seal, which was the Supreme Law at that time. He was present at every place where the Supreme Lodge convened, commencing in 1878, and gained admission in 1886; was assistant to the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal at the convention of 1902 and at every convention of the Supreme Lodge thereafter, and by reason thereof had formed a very extensive personal acquaintance with members of the order throughout the Supreme domain.

He was personally acquainted with the founder of the order, Justus H. Rathbone, and with every Supreme Chancellor, beginning with the first, Samuel Read.

Brother Caldwell made a study of and was an authority on Pythian law. He had been a member of committees which had prepared three constitutions of the grand lodge and two digests, and performed the principal part of the work in revising the present constitution and statutes of Illinois, publication of which marked a new era in the arrangement of Pythian law.

He served as secretary of section 84 since its organization in February, 1878, and was an earnest advocate of the insurance department.

He joined Fort Dearborn Division No. 1, Uniform Rank, at its organization in 1880, and was first lieutenant of that company when it made its famous trip to Detroit in 1882. He was brigade signal officer with the rank of colonel on the staff of Brigadier General John P. Bertoni.

Brother Caldwell belonged to other orders, among them Ulysses S. Grant Post No. 28, Grand Army of the Republic, of which he was past commander. He was devoted to the Knights of Pythias, which he joined first, and to which he had given the best years of his life.

WILLIAM G. EDENS, *Ill.*  
 THOMAS WILLIAMSON, *Ill.*  
 JOHN B. VAUGHN, *Ill.*  
 WILLIAM K. WHITFIELD, *Ill.*  
 JOHN J. REEVE, *Ill.*

*Iowa—*

#### JOHN CAMERON, P. S. R.

John Cameron was the fifth grand chancellor of Iowa, serving in 1874. He was born in Edinburgh, Scotland, November 16, 1828, and died March 9, 1919. He was a charter member of Damon Lodge No. 10, Davenport, Iowa, instituted June 10, 1871. He served as supreme representative in 1877-1878.

#### THOMAS B. HANLEY, P. S. R.

"Tom" Hanley, as he was familiarly known in Supreme Lodge circles and throughout Iowa for many years, was the twenty-sixth grand chancellor of that domain. He was born in Ohio, in 1853, and died September 23,



1919. He became a Knight of Pythias in 1888. As a member of the Supreme Lodge he rendered conspicuous service during five conventions, viz: 1898-1904, and including the special convention of 1901. He was the organizer of the Modern Brotherhood of America, and for many years, up until his death, was the chief executive officer of this society.

JOSEPH N. MCCOY, *Iowa*.

JAMES W. HUNTER, *Iowa*.

CLEMENT F. KIMBALL, *Ioa*.

BENJAMIN I. SALINGER, *Iowa*.

#### *Kansas—*

##### JOHN W. WHEELER, P. S. R.

John W. Wheeler was the sixth grand chancellor of Kansas, serving in 1877-1878; he was initiated in Ivanhoe Lodge No. 14, Leavenworth, Kansas, February 9, 1874. He was born in Gloucestershire, England, October 1, 1836. He served as supreme representative in 1880.

He moved to St. Paul, Minnesota, but continued his membership in Ivanhoe Lodge, Leavenworth. "Brother Wheeler was a true, loyal Pythian, believing in the principles of our order."

##### WESLEY M. READY, P. S. R.

Brother Ready served the grand domain of Kansas as its thirty-fifth grand chancellor, 1906-1907. He died November 23, 1919. Throughout his life he was a true and loyal friend, strong in his friendships, and a firm believer in upholding the law, yet never vindictive against those who did not agree with him. He served as supreme representative from 1914 to 1918.

##### AMOS N. GOODMAN, P. G. C.

The death of Brother Goodman was a great loss to the order in Kansas, to the State, and to his family. He served as the forty-sixth grand chancellor of this domain, 1917-1918, and died May 1, 1920. He thoroughly believed in Pythianism and its teachings, and was a great worker in his subordinate lodge.

RYNIER V. BROKAW, *Kans.*

AL. F. WILLIAMS, *Kans.*

#### *Kentucky—*

##### ROBERT L. SLADE, S. R.

Supreme Representative Robert L. Slade died in Lexington, Kentucky, October 25, 1920. He came to Minneapolis at the time of the Supreme Lodge convention, but, owing to his extremely poor health, was unable to attend a single session. Following the convention, he went to Rochester, Minnesota, for consultation, but no hope was held out that he could recover his health.

"Bob" Slade, for many years, was very active in Pythian affairs in Kentucky, and up until just a few years ago he was physically rugged, alert, active, and a tireless worker. By reason of his extreme devotion to the Pythian order he won hosts of friends in that domain, and enjoyed an extended acquaintance in sister domains. It is well known that his Pythian services, especially during his term as grand chancellor, very seriously interfered with his business, but his love for the order and its work was such that he sacrificed time, money and energy in responding to its many calls. He served for about two years as superintendent of the Pythian Home in Lexington, but was compelled to relinquish this position on account of poor health.

FRED E. WHEATON, S. K. R. S.

*Maryland—*

## JOHN D. BLAKE, P. G. C.

John D. Blake, member of Stoddard Lodge No. 17, Baltimore, Maryland, died in that city, March 30, 1920. He served as grand chancellor in 1892, and attained distinction as a physician and surgeon.

His devotion to duty is worthy of emulation and his acts through life were an inspiration to his fellowmen. Possessed of a genial and sympathetic disposition he endeared himself to the hearts of those who were associated with him.

With bowed heads and heavy hearts we mourn the loss of one who toiled with us, shared in our joys and sorrows, but has preceded us into those mysterious portals which open only inward. The void will be hard to fill, and his absence noticed with regret.

His friendship once gained was lasting, his sympathy sublime and his charity while serving as health commissioner cheered the hearts of the needy.

Our brother sleeps and sleeps well, but he has left to us the heritage of a useful life which should inspire us to more fully exemplify the teaching of friendship, charity and benevolence.

"Thus pass away the men of might,  
Whose noiseless footprints stamped the age;  
Their thoughts that filled the earth with light,  
Still glow and blaze on Memory's page."

WILLIAM F. BROENING, *Md.*  
J. EDWARD RICHARDSON, *Md.*  
RENO S. HARP, *Md.*

*Michigan—*

## DAN P. McMULLEN, P. S. R.

Dan P. McMullen—his was a beautiful life.

He was born in Canada in 1852; came to Michigan in 1868; died in Dublin, Virginia, June 30, 1919; buried in Cheboygan, Michigan, where he resided for thirty-eight years.

Brother McMullen was grand chancellor of Michigan in 1897-1898, and in 1900-1901 served as supreme representative. He served as a member of the Michigan Legislature, both in the House and Senate, and as "Senator" McMullen he became widely and favorably known. For many years he held the position of postmaster in Cheboygan.

"Dan was gentleness and courtesy personified, and the unkind word was not in his vocabulary."

VICTOR HAWKINS, *Mich.*

*Minnesota—*

## CARROLL S. BARTRAM, S. R.

Supreme Representative Carroll Sutherland Bartram died at his home, White Bear Lake, Minnesota, at 4 o'clock, a. m., April 9, 1920, after a brief illness.

There comes a time in every human life when it is distressingly hard to say farewell, and such a time is now before every Pythian of Minnesota, more especially those who, during the past years, have been intimately associated with one of the most lovable characters whose name and personality have graced the recorded pages of the order's activities in this grand domain—Carroll S. Bartram.

Not for many years has the order in Minnesota experienced such a keen bereavement in the passing of a "favorite son," and no death in active Pythian ranks in this domain ever was more deeply regretted, or called forth more and

wider expressions of sorrow, than has been felt since the Grim Reaper laid his fateful hand upon one who was sincerely loved and respected, our late friend and good brother, the senior supreme representative of Minnesota.

The funeral, held in Elks' Hall, St. Paul, Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock, April 13, brought together a large concourse of personal and family friends who, in the keenness of a great sorrow, paid their respects to one who had long endeared himself in varied and various walks of life. The services were simple but impressive, with appropriate tributes paid by representatives of the Elks, the United Commercial Travelers and the Knights of Pythias. Profuse floral offerings further attested the esteem in which he was held, especially from the circles of journalism and fraternity, also from close friends of the family. Every heart felt the pang of grief in the passing of one who had so endeared himself in every relation of life. A small but sad circle of friends witnessed the interment in the cemetery.

A book might well be written on the life of Carroll S. Bartram. Among newspaper men of the old school he long was admired in the field of journalism, having been officially connected with the press of the Twin Cities in an editorial and advertising capacity, and in which profession he won his way to high places of distinction and service. His character and nature was such that he made friends wherever he went and with whom he labored. With a personality always attractive, his circle of admirers and friends widened and ripened with the years, and he enjoyed the confidence, esteem and respect of all with whom he associated and with whom he came in contact. The cognomen, "Bart," became an intimate word among those who knew him best, or were thrown into the associations in which he moved.

It was but natural that fraternity appealed to him. He became a Mason during his younger days, was one of the prime movers in organizing St. Paul Lodge No. 59, BPOE, of which body he was the second exalted ruler, and afterwards secretary for several years. For many years he was an honored member of the UCT.

He became a Knight of Pythias on January 24, 1900, receiving the ranks in Capital Lodge No. 51, St. Paul, and from the beginning of his membership in this order took a deep interest in its work and welfare. His rise in this order was rapid; in fact, few men, in all Pythian history, so soon attained the honors of the order following their initiation. He became a past chancellor by service on December 31, 1901; was admitted to the grand lodge on September 23, 1902, and at this convention presented the report of the committee on state of the order, as chairman of said committee. One expression from his report will serve to denote his high appreciation of Pythian knighthood: "If we live up to our teachings and to our opportunities, we may make this order one of the greatest powers for good in all the world."

That he was destined to hold high place in the counsels of the order in Minnesota was apparent from the very day he received the grand lodge rank, on which day he came very near being elected grand master at arms. One year later his name was presented for grand chancellor, when he received 64 votes out of a total of 143. At the grand lodge convention held in Minneapolis, September 27, 1904, he was unanimously elected grand chancellor without opposition, and re-elected at the two succeeding annual conventions. But few men in this order attained the distinction of serving three consecutive terms in the executive chair in any domain, and it is noteworthy that Minnesota furnished three of this very limited number—Fred E. Wheaton, Carroll S. Bartram and Frederick S. Attwood. At the grand lodge convention of 1911, Brother Bartram was elected supreme representative, serving four years, 1912-1914, and was later elected for the four-year term of 1918-1920. In the supreme lodge convention of 1916 he was appointed assistant to the supreme keeper of records and seal, and two years ago, at Detroit, was advanced to the position of official reporter, which important post he filled with eminent distinction while simultaneously serving as supreme representative.

It may be said that no man in the order's highest governing body was more generally recognized for high character and worth, than he. As a Pythian student and scholar, he was the peer of any, and at time of his death was chairman of the committee on good of the order. His greatest work, a work of extreme importance, requiring a ready knowledge of Pythian law, usage and legislation, with his admirable service and adaptability, his wonderful versatility and equipment in the important work of officially "reporting" the proceedings of the supreme lodge, working in close contact and harmony with the supreme keeper of records and seal. In this service he will be greatly missed, not only by the officer in direct charge of this work, but by the supreme lodge as a body. Many conferences had been held with him in connection with the supreme lodge convention in Minneapolis, to which he looked forward with keen and delightful anticipation.

An old, true and dear friend has been called, one whose cherished memory will linger with the years, as the twilight of the future marks its approach upon those who are left to mourn his loss.

FRED E. WHEATON, S. K. R. S.

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*Missouri—*

RICHARD H. MAYBURY, P. S. R.

The thirteenth grand chancellor of Missouri was born near Kenmar, County of Kerry, Ireland, June 29, 1845; was well educated in the public schools of that community, and came to the United States in 1865, becoming a naturalized citizen, and first worked on a farm near St. Louis, then in railroad construction work, and located in Kansas City in 1867, where he followed various occupations, including steamboating on the Missouri river, working in E. L. Martin's malt-house, and as salesman for a mercantile concern.

By industry and thrift, he accumulated a little money, and in 1871 engaged in the real estate business in Kansas City; was a member of the city council from 1879 to 1881, and was elected a justice of the peace in 1886. Upon his retirement from that office, having been defeated for reelection by five votes, he was admitted to the bar of Jackson county, April 26, 1890; and engaged in the practice of law for 15 years or more, being associated with his brother-in-law Henry F. Rose. Afterwards he was quite active in local politics, and at one time was candidate for police judge. For the last 18 years of his life he was a clerk in the Kansas City postoffice, in the general delivery section, although for three years before his death he was unable to work, on account of sickness; and his death resulted from hardening of the arteries and dropsy, February 2nd of this year.

Brother Maybury became a Pythian in Kansas City lodge No. 1, Sept. 7, 1871, with eight others, for the purpose of organizing Lucas lodge No. 9. He served in the various offices of the subordinate lodge, including master of finance for many years; and was admitted to the grand lodge at the session held in Kansas City in January 1872. He became grand representative from lodge No. 9 in 1873 and 1874; and when No. 9 consolidated with Kansas City lodge No. 1, he represented that lodge several times also. He was state superintendent of the old endowment rank for several years, and in that capacity organized insurance sections all over the domain. He was elected grand vice chancellor in 1879, grand chancellor in 1881, and supreme representative in 1887. In the latter capacity, he attended sessions of the supreme lodge at Cincinnati in 1888, at Milwaukee in 1890, at Kansas City in 1892 and at Washington in 1894. He afterwards became a member of Mechanics lodge No. 106; and until his health began to fail, was always an active worker in the cause of Pythianism in his community; a splendid leader, who was loved and respected by all who knew him.



He is survived by his widow and two sons, Richard E., who is cashier for the International Harvester Company in Kansas City, and William F., who is comptroller for the General Motors Company in Pontiac, Michigan. The other children died in infancy; and a married daughter, Mrs. H. L. Hurst, died in 1900.

Brother Maybury was also a member of the Odd Fellows, and a communicant in the Episcopal church, an ardent Republican in politics; unusually public-spirited, kind-hearted and energetic, taking active part in everything that was for the welfare of his town and community; was familiarly known as "Judge" during his later years; and at one time owned considerable real estate in Kansas City. In the olden days of Pythian social activities, when his lodge gave big annual picnics in the Brush Creek woods, he always took a prominent part in the celebrations, which were especially enjoyable and successful; and particularly among the older members, he will long be lovingly remembered for his fine manly qualities and fraternal instincts.

#### EDWARD I. MORSE, P. S. R.

Edward I. Morse was born in Binghamton, New York, May 16, 1858. He was one of seven children (six boys and one girl) whose parents were Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Whitney Morse. He came West with his parents in the year 1869 and settled in the town of Osborn, Missouri.

He was ambitious to obtain an education. After finishing public schools and after his day's work and evening meal would take his books and wend his way to the home of Professor Seiler, who was educated in Boston.

His greatest aspiration was to practice law so he took up the study of law, but owing to the illness and death of his father, August 28, 1883, he was forced to assume the responsibility of providing a home for his invalid mother and sister, the sister filling the place of nurse and housekeeper.

At this time he was postmaster at Osborn, also had a drug-store and was quite active in politics. He belonged to the Democratic party, but was always liberal in his views, frequently supporting and voting for those of opposite political faith.

He was a forcible talker, had a wonderful command of language and would have no doubt become leader in his party, but in the later years of his life took very little interest in politics, devoting himself to business entirely.

In 1889, his mother having died, he gave up his interests in Osborn and moved to Excelsior Springs, Missouri. He there took up the practice of law with his brother, E. L. Morse, and practiced this profession quite successfully for a number of years. However, in 1899 he took charge of the Excelsior Springs Company's property and business and was manager of the first Elms Hotel for three years; the largest hotel in this noted resort. He always took an active interest in any enterprise which tended for the betterment of Excelsior Springs. He was interested in the Wabash Railroad, the Water Works Company, and the Music Hall Bath House Company of Excelsior Springs.

He became a member of Diamond Cross Lodge No. 80, Knights of Pythias, Cameron, Missouri, when quite a young man barely of requisite age and held the office of grand chancellor and supreme representative. He was an able, efficient and conscientious officer, and as supreme representative he took front rank in this great body, as many of the older members will attest.

He was a devoted friend of Senator James A. Reed of Missouri and was quite active in the gubernatorial contest of 1904 between Senator Reed and Governor Folk for nomination for governor of Missouri. He was always in close touch with Senator Reed and the two men seldom if ever differed over political or other issues, and were at all times the warmest personal and political friends. Senator Reed, in writing his brother of the death of Ed, said:

"I never knew a man in all my life who seemed to me to be possessed to a higher degree of sympathy for and kindly interest with humanity. He coupled this interest with practical common sense views which were always calculated to bring sure results. He was patriotic to a remarkable degree. Any wrong to his state or to his country was certain to evoke his spirited opposition. He was just and fair, as but few men are. I shall miss him not only to-day and to-morrow, but throughout life."

During the late war he never failed to contribute to patriotic causes and did all within his power to bring about the successful termination of same. He died at the hotel in San Jose, Texas, June 23, 1919. His remains were laid to rest followed by a great consort of friends at Excelsior Springs, Saturday, June 28, 1919. The services were in charge of the members of the Kansas City Knights of Pythias, the Rev. John Paul Jesse of the Christian Church, Excelsior Springs, officiating.

A good man, a splendid citizen, a true knight and a loyal friend was Edward I. Morse.

#### WILLIAM T. ROLSTON, P. G. C.

Missouri's twenty-eighth grand chancellor, William T. Rolston, was born at Hillsboro, Illinois, July 7, 1857. In 1879 he graduated from the Hahnemann Medical College and Hospital, Chicago, and up until his death was an active practitioner in his profession. He was in practice for a short time in Waverly, Illinois; Angelica, New York; and Cartersville, Georgia. In 1880 he moved to Cape Girardeau, Missouri, in which city he resided to the time of his death.

In 1890 he was one of the prime movers in the institution of Lorimer Lodge No. 169, serving as its first chancellor commander, and representing the lodge in the grand lodge at its next convention. In 1892 he was elected grand outer guard; in 1893, grand inner guard; in 1894, grand master at arms; grand vice chancellor in 1895, and at the convention in Sedalia, in 1896, was elected grand chancellor. His administration was very successful.

Upon his attainment of the honor of past grand chancellor, his Pythian activities did not cease; on the contrary, he was elected keeper of records and seal of his lodge, which position he retained until illness compelled his retirement. He died December 7, 1918, at 7:30 p. m., but was denied the honor of a Pythian funeral on account of the prevalence of an epidemic of influenza. A few loving, loyal friends, consigned his body to the earth.

Brother Rolston was an affable, lovable, courteous gentleman. He was a Pythian at heart, and reflected the teachings of the order in his daily life. The world is better by reason of the brief life allotted to him. May the earth rest lightly upon him.

JOSEPH J. CRITES, *Mo.*  
LEROY H. KELSEY, *Mo.*  
EDGAR M. HARBER, *Mo.*  
FRANK B. HILLER, *Mo.*

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*Montana—*

#### JOHN G. EVANS, P. S. R.

Past Supreme Representative John G. Evans died at his home in the city of Butte, Montana, October 2, 1919. Brother Evans joined the order in Utah and transferred by card to assist in the institution of Ivanhoe Lodge No. 5, which was instituted in the city of Butte, June 28, 1882. Brother Evans was the first grand keeper of records and seal of Montana, having been elected to that position at the first grand lodge convention held in the city of Butte, January 14, 1885. He was created a past grand chancellor by resolution passed by the grand lodge on the 21st of May 1890. Brother

Evans was a man of genial temperament, an indefatigable worker in the order and his loss will be keenly felt by the members of his subordinate lodge and the grand lodge of Montana.

ERNEST C. BAXTER, *Mont.*  
JOHN H. VOGEL, *Mont.*

*Nebraska—*

ORLANDO S. WOOD, P. G. C.

Past Grand Chancellor Orlando S. Wood, was born in Binghamton, New York, January 27, 1832. He died in Omaha, Nebraska, January 24, 1920. He was a member of the first lodge instituted west of the Allegheny Mountains, Nebraska Lodge No. 1, of Omaha. He was elected a past grand chancellor at the organization of the grand lodge of Nebraska, and was a continuous, devoted member for over 50 years.

He came to Omaha in his youth to assist in clearing the road to that great empire which has grown and developed in the west. He looked out on the prairie as the sun sparkled on the sod hut and the prairie schooner, viewing with awe the hostile Indian of frontier life. He lived to see the building up of this great empire, with its magnificent cities, its great fields of grain, its flocks and herds, and finally listened to the pulsating traffic of the automobile and the whirring of the flying machine.

He had been a silent worker all these years to bring about the great accomplishments, and it must have been a solace to him, when the time of departure came, to know that he had done his part in all that tends to bring happiness to his fellow man.

He was a physician and practiced his profession among the pioneers. He traveled the pathless prairie by the sun's shadow in the day, and guided his footsteps by God's eternal stars by night. We will never know the blessings that have followed him from the homes of the sick, or from homes where, oft-times, aid could only come through storms and blizzards, but we do know that he never faltered and never failed to respond to the cry for help.

He was a pioneer in Pythianism and assisted in laying the foundation of an order that had its birth on American soil and has devoted its years in building up real Americanism, where the precepts and teachings of friendship, charity and benevolence have been put into practice.

He lived a quiet, peaceful life, and when he took his place beside the boatsman to be rowed across that mystical river, he uttered no protest to the splashing of the oars or the rolling of the waves, but passed to his eternal home peacefully as in life.

RICHARD O'NEILL, P. S. R., *Neb.*

*Nevada—*

JOHN EDWARDS BRAY, P. S. R.

Past Supreme Representative John Edwards Bray, one of the foremost and prominent Pythians of Nevada, died at his residence, in Carson City, January 1st, 1919. He was a native of Vermont. In his death the domain lost a stalwart Pythian and the order in general a member who had a record of doing much for its betterment. His long identification with the order and his constant efforts in its behalf will make his loss keenly felt. He was identified with the progress of the order in Nevada for nearly forty years, and for nearly that entire period seldom, if ever, missed attending a session of the grand lodge, where his counsel and advice was always sought.

Although early in his membership he had been granted all the honors that his domain could bestow, yet at no time during the forty years of his membership did he forget his duties and obligations to the order, but at all times

was active and alive to its interests and betterment, being an enthusiast for its advancement. Owing to his prominence in educational circles, being at the head of the educational institutions of the State of Nevada for some years past, and previous thereto being principal of the public schools in the city of Reno, his influence had always been a factor in support of Pythianism.

As above stated, his death occurred at Carson City, the capital of Nevada, on January 1st, 1919, and after funeral services over the remains by the Odd Fellows of that city, of which organization he was also an honored member, the body was taken to Reno for burial. The burial services at Reno were under the auspices of Amity Lodge No. 8, Knights of Pythias, and were attended by many state officials, past grand chancellors, knights and friends. The body was laid at rest in the Pythian cemetery.

Brother Bray was made a knight at the institution of Lyon Lodge No. 12, of Dayton, Nevada, on the 15th day of October, 1880, and retained his membership in the lodge up to the time of his death. He received the honor of past chancellor July 1, 1881, and the grand lodge rank was conferred upon him August 8, 1881. He was elected grand trustee on August 10, 1885, and at the expiration of his term as such trustee was elected grand vice chancellor on May 25, 1888. The following year, on June 14, 1889, he was elevated to the position of grand chancellor, and on May 25, 1894, was elected a supreme representative and thereafter represented Nevada in the succeeding convention of the Supreme Lodge.

Brother Bray was also a member of the several auxiliaries of the order, being a member of the Pythian Sisters, Dramatic Order Knight of Khorassan and the insurance department, and was active in behalf of all.

NATHANIEL E. WILSON, *Nev.*

CLARK J. GUILD, *Nev.*

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*New Hampshire—*

DANIEL EDISON HOWARD, P. S. R.

Daniel E. Howard was the fourth grand chancellor of New Hampshire, serving during the official term of 1873-1874. He also served four consecutive years as supreme representative, at the time when the Supreme Lodge held annual conventions, 1874-1877. During the latter years of his life he resided in Massachusetts, and, although attaining to the ripe age of 90, he retained an active interest in the affairs of the order.

FRANK J. PILLSBURY, P. G. C.

Brother Pillsbury attained the honor of past grand chancellor by service as grand keeper of records and seal from February 6, 1879, to June 12, 1899. He was always a very active member. His death occurred in Concord, New Hampshire, in February, 1920.

FRANK M. BECKFORD, *N. H.*

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*New Mexico—*

WILLIAM WESLEY BOWERS, P. S. R.

Official announcement has already been made that the grim reaper, in his ruthless gathering of the human harvest, has called from life's activities, one of the most highly respected and honored members of this great fraternal brotherhood, Past Supreme Representative William Wesley Bowers, who answered the final summons at his home in Albuquerque, New Mexico, April 16, 1919, at ten o'clock p. m.



The expression, "from out the clear sky," aptly fits the manner in which the fateful announcement of his death came. It was sudden in the extreme, without previous warning, hardly without premonition, even to and among the loved ones at home, the final summons came after an illness of a few days. Acute attack of the grippe and flu, when pneumonia set in, was the cause of his death. Only a few days before his passing, he apparently was in the best of health, and was engaged in his usual work.

William Wesley Bowers was born in Indianola, Iowa, September 21, 1874, and had been a resident of New Mexico for the past six years. When a small boy, he and his parents moved to Missouri, and there resided on a farm until the age of fifteen. The family then moved to Columbus, Kansas, where young Bowers went to work for the Western Cigar and Tobacco Company. He later became manager of that concern, and held that position for eighteen years. He was married in 1895 to Miss Alice E. Brooks of Columbus. A daughter was born of this union, who is now Mrs. Vernice Bowers Stewart, residing at State College, New Mexico.

Brother Bowers was a firm believer in his fellow men. He was very human; hence, his humanity was as broad as the wings of time. He had confidence in his fellow men—a necessary thing to have abiding within your own heart if you would have your fellow men hold confidence in you. He joined the order in 1896, and became vice chancellor of his lodge in 1901, and in 1902, chancellor commander. He attained his highest Pythian honors in Kansas, in which domain he twice served as grand chancellor, 1910-1911. By reason of the fine record of his leadership and service during his first administration as grand chancellor, he was re-elected but resigned at the time of the grand lodge convention at the end of his second year, so that the honors of that term might be attained by another. Ever striving to accomplish the things that would inure to Pythian welfare, during his second administration he sought new features to arouse interest among lodges and members.

In October, 1911, he sent word through a representative to the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal, asking for a suggestion whereby he might introduce in his domain some feature, or inaugurate some undertaking, that would serve the Pythian purpose and stimulate greater activity. It was then that the proposition was suggested to hold Bible classes, which suggestion was immediately grasped, and during the succeeding three months a series of memorable conventions were arranged at four central points in Kansas. Thus it was that the first Rathbone Bible Class was held in Wichita, Kansas, February 19, 1912, which totalled 271 members. Owing to the thoroughness of the work performed by "Billy" Bowers, and the interest taken in this movement by lodges in the various sections, 439 applicants were elected to receive the ranks of the order.

Sometime following his retirement from the office of grand chancellor, Brother Bowers removed to Albuquerque, as a health seeker, but retained his membership in Kansas until September 18, 1916, when he transferred his membership to Mineral Lodge No. 4, Albuquerque.

Upon his removal to New Mexico, Brother Bowers came into close contact with many who were seeking relief in this section. He at once took a deep interest in the movement to enlist this order in the establishment and maintenance of a sanatorium. His letters, circulars and correspondence on this important subject were always earnest and educational, and he became widely known for his deep interest in behalf of the many sufferers from that dread disease, tuberculosis.

He received the Supreme Lodge Rank, August 4, 1914, at Winnipeg, Canada, and it was at this convention that Brother Bowers was appointed a special representative by the New Mexico Pythians to aid the New Mexico representatives in an endeavor to get the Supreme Lodge to pass legislation

and appropriate sufficient funds for the establishment and maintenance of a sanatorium in this Rocky Mountain section. We did not secure the needed legislation at that convention, and two years later Brother Bowers was again called upon and volunteered to go with your supreme representatives to the convention held at Portland, Oregon, in 1916; and there we again submitted our proposition to enlist this order in financially aiding the establishment and maintenance of a tuberculosis sanatorium; but the Supreme Lodge in its wisdom could not see the necessity of establishing such an institution at that time. At the convention held in Detroit, Michigan, in August, 1918, Brother Bowers was appointed to fill the vacancy occasioned by the inability of Supreme Representative M. McCreary, to attend on account of war work, to serve until the next grand lodge convention; and at that convention Brother Bowers and your humble servant again brought the sanatorium matter to the attention of the Supreme Lodge, and after considerable work on Brother Bowers' part, we were able to convince the Supreme Lodge to give up some relief, and it appropriated from its funds the sum of Five Thousand Dollars to be known and disbursed as the "Supreme Lodge Relief Fund." This fund is to be used in the relief of Pythians in good standing, who may become charges upon lodges in domains other than those in which their homes are located. Upon returning from this convention, Brother Bowers was not entirely satisfied with the results obtained, yet he felt that it was a start and a move in the right direction, and it is needless for me to add that he was one of the principal spokes in the wheel in securing this needed relief. It was under his leadership and in the spirit of Pythian brotherhood that the members of the Supreme Lodge were induced to gird on the armor for renewed conflict for human advancement.

"Billy" Bowers was a loyal, patriotic American; he loved his country, his God, his family and his friends.

Upon my return trip from the last Supreme Lodge convention, he and Supreme Representative Rively of Kansas returned home by the way of St. Louis to Kansas City, and I made a little side trip to Findlay, Ohio, to visit some friends, and upon going to the junction from Findlay to purchase a ticket, asked for transportation to Santa Fe. The lady who was agent there, said: "New Mexico! Oh, how I wish I were back there. Do you know any one in Albuquerque?" I replied: "Yes, I am pretty well acquainted in the city of Albuquerque." Then she continued: "Do you know a man by the name of W. W. Bowers?" "I know him well," I responded, and told her that he was with me on this trip but that he had taken another route home. She said: "Oh I would like to see him. He was so kind and so thoughtful to me during my stay in the city of Albuquerque. My husband died there from tuberculosis, and he assisted me and did everything he could to help me prepare the body to send to our former home. He escorted me to the train with other Pythians; and he certainly is a grand man, and deserves a crown in Heaven and all the good things that can come to him on this earth."

This goes to prove what a loyal Pythian "Billy" Bowers was, ever standing on the platform of friendship, charity and benevolence; and when we think of the kindness and the genuine goodness of the life that was lived by our departed friend and brother, we cannot help but believe that he, indeed, tried to live, and did live, a Godly life; tried to follow the teachings of the One, who said, and taught us to say: "Do unto others as you would have others do unto you." This is the spirit that lived in "Billy" Bowers, and will continue to live with us through life and beyond the grave. He was ever ready to sacrifice his time, energy and money to relieve the sufferings of others. As long as the genial face of "Billy" Bowers shall come to our memory in the supreme, grand and subordinate lodges, not only of the domain with

which he has been connected, but also of other domains, his memory shall live green and fragrant until Pythian time shall be no more.

On March 12, 1919, our grand chancellor called a meeting of the Pythian War Relief Council for March 24th, to ascertain what attitude should be taken by New Mexico with respect to the War Relief Fund, for the purpose of adopting resolutions defining our position in the matter. This meeting was attended by all members of the board, and a set of resolutions was presented to the board which was drawn up by "Billy" Bowers, who had given a great deal of time, thought and study as to what attitude the grand domain should take. These resolutions were unanimously adopted by the Council, placing the New Mexico Pythians squarely on record to raise the full quota for New Mexico and requesting the Supreme Chancellor not to issue, or cause to be issued, any order suspending the assessment resolution or return any part of the funds collected to the grand domain; and in this work, as in every other field of Pythian endeavor, he was forceful and efficient, devoting much energy and thought to the duties he considered incumbent upon him as a member of our good order.

Brother Bowers died in the bloom of manhood. His passing was sudden and unexpected. It was a distinct grief to his friends, who were legion, and who admired him for his many splendid qualities and for the sterling example and noble influence of his life. The Supreme Lodge will miss him. The absence of his genial face and kindly grasp at this convention sighs to us in tones of sorrow, but while we are deprived of his wise counsel and dignified presence, we have left the priceless heritage of his cherished memory and the great privilege of emulating his spotless character.

Through Brother Bowers' efforts, the Pythian Association was organized in Albuquerque, of which he was first president, which composed all the Pythians in that city. Its membership is comprised of over 100, belonging to thirty-nine different domains. He was the heart and soul of the Association until his death. There was never a day gone by that he did not call on those who were sick or in distress. He sought to relieve them of their loneliness as well as administering to their physical needs. He was ever ready to assist in burying the dead, comforting and consoling the widows and orphans, making provisions for their care and comfort. Many a family in Albuquerque has received substantial aid from Brother Bowers, and he did not speak about it. He went about doing good in an unobtrusive way. If every one of those to whom he has done a kind deed could place a blossom on his bier, he would be sleeping beneath a mountain of flowers.

As a citizen of Albuquerque for six years previous to his death, his staunch, upright character had won for him the honor and respect of all classes of citizenship, irrespective of political affiliation, and he had been on several occasions selected by the citizens to become a part of the municipal organization thereof, because of his sterling integrity and honorable methods in both public and private affairs of the community.

The passing away of Brother Bowers and also of his brother, C. C. Bowers, whose deaths occurred within five hours of each other, and who also was a Pythian brother, brings additional sadness to our hearts.

The funeral of these two brothers was attended by not only members of the Pythian order throughout the grand domain, and members of other domains, but was also largely attended by business and political associates, to the extent that the edifice where the ceremony took place was crowded to overflowing; and, as an evidence of the love and respect held for our brothers, the room was filled with the most loving tokens of floral designs, emphasizing their lives and activities in the social and business world. The funeral which followed our brothers to their last resting place at Fairview cemetery was very lengthy and very impressive, two hearses carrying our two departed friends. At the grave, the full Pythian burial rites were performed by the

officers of the grand lodge, and the large concourse of friends and neighbors who had gathered at this last service showed the sympathy and affection for the deceased.

If there was one trait in Brother Bowers' character more forceful, or which stood out more prominently than all others, it was his keen sense of duty to his fellow men, his exaction of even-handed justice in all things. It is well, therefore, in justice to the living as well as to the dead, that no false idea should obtain and no wrong impressions shall prevail. It is not necessary to pluck any gems from the diadems which crown the brows of his fellows to bedeck his crown—it is resplendent with its own brilliant glory.

Under his leadership in New Mexico, the spirit of Pythian brotherhood spread to the border lines of our domain. It seemed that we all took a new resolution, girded on the armor for renewed conflict for human advancement, and that we sprang at once to greater heights, leaped to more lofty planes of life, looked further into human needs and gave more care to prevent the tragedies of life.

His mind was alert, active and constructive; his purpose progressive. They hungered for something more helpful and stable—something which would hold forever securely bound all men who entered our portals.

With all New Mexico behind him, and with the love of the Pythian universe all his own, undaunted and unafraid, he gave the best that was in him; he unhesitatingly formulated, asserted and presented his noblest thought for the betterment of the order and all mankind.

In private life he was clean, upright, and high-minded. No stain ever touched him. He abominated debasements and shunned those who descended into them. Home held him bound, and he was its devoted proclaimer and worshipped at its sacred shrine.

His passing is an irreparable loss to his city and this state. Our order has lost one of its most illustrious members, who left behind his indelible mark upon his time, and the richest heritage of his friends. He fought the good fight; he kept the faith.

We appreciated him and respected him during his life; we love him in death; and we firmly believe he lived to make the world better.

"I cannot say, and I will not say  
That he is dead; he is just away.  
With a cheery smile and a wave of the hand  
He has wandered into an unknown land,  
And left us dreaming how very fair  
It needs must be, since he lingers there.  
Think of him still the same, I say  
He is NOT dead; he is just away."

HUGH H. WILLIAMS, *N. M.*

#### BENJAMIN FRANKLIN ADAMS, P. S. R.

Benjamin Franklin Adams, 19th grand chancellor of New Mexico, passed from his earthly abode March 5, 1920, and was buried in Mt. Olivet Cemetery, Brooklyn, New York. He was born near Jackson, Tennessee, December 15, 1862; educated in the common schools and went to San Antonio, Texas, in 1881. Graduated from Sam Houston Institute, Huntsville, Texas, in 1883, then taught school at Killeen, Texas. Commenced the practice of law in 1884 at Marfa, Texas; was elected Judge of Presidio county, Texas, in 1888; re-elected in 1890. He moved to Albuquerque, New Mexico, in 1892 and continued the practice of law.

Brother Adams was initiated in Killeen Lodge, January 28, 1886, at Killeen, Texas, transferred his membership to Marfa, Texas, January 10, 1888; shortly after moving to New Mexico he transferred his membership from Marfa, Texas, to Montezuma lodge of Albuquerque, and afterwards to Mineral Lodge No. 4 of the same city.



He attained the honor of past chancellor in Marfa, Texas, in 1888; and was elected grand representative of Mineral Lodge No. 4 to the grand lodge of New Mexico in 1896. Elected grand keeper of records and seal in 1897, and re-elected in 1898. Elected grand prelate in 1899 and re-elected in 1900, and became grand vice chancellor in 1901, and grand chancellor in 1902. He was elected Supreme Representative in 1903, serving from January 1, 1904 to December 31, 1907.

Brother Adams was a very able man, and proved to be a fearless executive. He was chairman on the committee of revision of the present grand constitution and statutes of New Mexico, and he also prepared the code of procedure now in effect for trial of offenses against the order in the domain.

A glance at the subordinate, grand and supreme lodge records will show that Brother Adams was very active and an earnest worker in Pythian circles, and that he was a leading factor in carrying out all Pythian doctrine and principles in New Mexico. While not always agreeing or voting with the majority, time has told that he did not "pass the judgment of an evil thinking mind." He was one of those men to whom a kind word and a generous deed are part of life itself. While he was firm in his convictions and unyielding in compromising when he believed he was in the right, yet he had a heart as tender as a woman's and it was impossible to take offense at him when he disagreed with you. Many a man has been won to his side by the kindness of his opposition. It was this kindly spirit, this lovable disposition which made him an ideal knight.

He was generous to a fault, otherwise he would have died rich, which he did not, as wordly wealth is measured, but he did die rich in the close friendships and affections of those who knew him.

He is gone. We shall see him here no more forever, he is beyond the travels of earth; beyond the horrors of war; aye, beyond the stars. Thus Brother Adams is resting where the Pythian principles he loved so well are fully and permanently practiced.

HUGH H. WILLIAMS, *N. M.*

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*Ohio—*

ALDEN P. BUTTERFIELD, P. S. R.

Alden Pease Butterfield, Cincinnati, died November 20, 1918. Buried in said city. Served as grand chancellor from May 1885 to May 1886, and in 1890 served as supreme representative, holding said office several terms. Was widely known in Democratic political circles in Cincinnati and Hamilton county, and held offices under several city administrations.

JOHN G. REEVES, P. S. R.

Judge John Graybill Reeves, Lancaster, Ohio, died in said city May 27, 1920; buried there. Served as city solicitor of Lancaster for two terms, prosecuting attorney of Fairfield county for three terms, and Common Pleas Judge of the subdivision for over fifteen years, resigning as judge shortly before his death: He was a veteran of the Civil War. Served as supreme representative from 1894 to 1901. Served as grand chancellor May 1888-May 1889.

WILLIAM SCHUCHARDT, *Ohio.*

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*Oklahoma—*

TAZEWELL M. UPSHAW, P. S. R.

Tazewell Mason Upshaw, "honorary" past grand chancellor, was elected supreme representative at the institution of the grand lodge of Oklahoma, January 26, 1892. He attended the conventions of the Supreme Lodge in

1892, 1894 and 1896. He was born at Horn Lake, Mississippi, January 29, 1859; died, March 20, 1920, in Helena, Arkansas. He was initiated in Trinity Lodge No. 7, Gainesville, Texas, in May, 1887, and transferred his membership to Oklahoma Lodge No. 1, November 19, 1889.

### CHARLES HOKEY, P. G. C.

Brother Hokey was the first "sitting past grand chancellor" of Indian Territory, which honor he attained at the institution of the grand lodge, May 15, 1890. He was born in 1847, and died October 11, 1919, at Krebs, Oklahoma.

### C. H. THOMAS, P. G. C.

Brother Thomas was the second grand chancellor of Indian Territory, 1891-1892. He was born in Lewiston, Illinois, in 1856; moved to Ottawa, Kansas, in 1868, and to the Indian Territory in 1875. He was initiated in Phoenix Lodge No. 2, Muskogee, March 8, 1888. His death occurred in 1920.

### WILLIAM H. WALKER, P. G. C.

William Henry Walker was the ninth grand chancellor of Indian Territory; born in Yanceyville, North Carolina, March 25, 1854; died in Purcell, Oklahoma, November 4, 1918. He was initiated in Prairie Queen Lodge No. 83, Windsor, Missouri, in 1884, transferring to Rathbone Lodge No. 8, Purcell. For many years he was fraternal correspondent for Indian Territory, and at the amalgamation of the grand domain with Oklahoma, was appointed to the same position, which he held until his death.

ALBERT O. ROMINE, *G. K. R. S.*

### Ontario—

### WILLIAM C. MACDONALD, S. R.

The sudden death of one of the greatest Pythians in the grand domain of Ontario was a distinct shock to members of the order in Ontario, and to his many friends throughout the supreme domain. Few men in this order in the Dominion of Canada have held the high place in Pythian life that was filled by Brother Macdonald. He occupied many positions within the gift of the grand lodge, and served as supreme representative for the four-year term of 1908-1910, and was again elected for the term of 1918-1920. His death occurred December 27, 1919.

The sincere sympathy of his hosts of Pythian friends and associates is extended to his bereaved widow and family.

THOMAS TOWERS, *Ont.*  
JAMES G. WILSON, *Ont.*

### Oregon—

### J. LINDSAY HILL, P. G. C.

Past Grand Chancellor J. Lindsay Hill was born in McNary county, Tennessee, February 28, 1845; died in Albany, Oregon, July 24, 1919. He was initiated in Laurel Lodge No. 7, Albany, May 30, 1879, in which lodge he continued his membership until his death. He was a physician by profession. Dr. Hill served as grand chancellor of Oregon from October 9, 1894, to October 8, 1895. On May 30, 1914, he was presented with a 25-year veteran jewel. He was an honored and respected member of the order and was held in the highest esteem by his associates in his lodge and throughout the domain.

LESLIE F. CROUCH, *Ore.*

*Pennsylvania—*

## JULIUS MOUNTNEY, P. G. C.

The slanting rays of the sinking sun add new glories to the ending day. Twilight's filmy curtain falls. Shadows gather. Light-foot dusk settles over all. It is dark! Eyelids flicker! Drowsy-eyed sleep broods o'er the land.

Thus the day ends—and so the life of one whom to know was but to love.

Educated, cultured; possessing many admirable traits of character; of keen perception, genial manner and accommodating disposition, Brother Julius Mountney long ago won the hearts of the members of the grand lodge of Pennsylvania; and each succeeding year, for almost half a century, was elected grand master of exchequer, and in the performance of the duties of this important office he fell asleep.

Julius Mountney was born in 1836, and died January 23d, 1919, aged 83 years. He became a member of Excelsior Lodge No. 1, of Philadelphia, in 1867. Later he was a member of Metropolitan Lodge No. 227, and finally became affiliated with Continental Lodge No. 166, both of Philadelphia.

During his many years of membership in the order, he advanced through the different ranks of service to that of past grand chancellor.

In 1867, he was elected grand master of exchequer, which position he held until the time of his death.

Full of years and honors, loved and respected by all who knew him, his earthly career ended in the ideal home he so dearly loved, surrounded by his loving and devoted wife and children. His memory shall abide with the Pythians of the grand domain of Pennsylvania like a sweet-smelling savor.

HARRY A. THOMPSON, *Pa.*

*Rhode Island—*

## WALTER WRIGHT, P. G. C.

Brother Walter Wright died January 15, 1920. He received the ranks of knighthood in Garfield Lodge No. 7, Providence, Rhode Island, in January and February, 1892; served this lodge as keeper of records and seal, prelate, vice chancellor and chancellor commander, and on February 14, 1899, became a member of the grand lodge, in which body he held successively the positions of grand master at arms, grand prelate, grand vice chancellor, and served as grand chancellor for the official term of 1908-1909.

## JOHN F. McQUILLIN, P. G. C.

John F. McQuillin was a charter member of Rhode Island Lodge No. 22, Knights of Pythias, Providence, instituted April 16, 1889. He held the positions of prelate, vice chancellor and chancellor commander in this lodge, and received his grand lodge rank, February 13, 1894. He was elected grand master at arms in 1900, advanced to higher positions at each succeeding convention, and was elected grand chancellor in 1903. He died April 13, 1919.

## WILLIAM A. WILSON, P. G. C.

After a service of thirty-eight years as grand keeper of records and seal, Brother William A. Wilson, past grand chancellor, passed away on April 20, 1920. He received the rank of knight in "Damon" Lodge No. 3, Providence, April 25, 1872, and on February 13, 1876, became a member of the grand lodge. On February 17, 1880, he was elected grand chancellor of Rhode Island. He was appointed grand keeper of records and seal on October 26, 1881, and remained in that position until his death. He received

the Supreme Lodge rank in 1896. From 1879 until he passed away, he was secretary of section 14, insurance department, and was a member of the Pythian Sisters and D. O. K. K.

MAXWELL B. McMILLEN, R. I.  
HENRY J. ELTZ, JR., R. I.

*South Carolina—*

JAMES A. SUMMERSETT, P. G. C.

Past Grand Chancellor James A. Summersett died suddenly January 30, 1919. Engaged in the routine affairs of his business office, he was in conversation with his daughter, who was his secretary, when he was stricken with apoplexy, passing away in an hour or two.

The administration of Brother Summersett as grand chancellor was marked by the greatest progress of the order in his domain during a similar period. His loyalty and devotion to Pythianism never wavered. After his retirement from the office of grand chancellor, his activities in and for the order suffered no diminution; but he was always the ready fellow-worker and servant of his successors in office. His death removed from amongst us one of the foremost Pythians in his domain, and the South Carolina grand lodge took appropriate action in paying tribute to his memory.

WALTER E. DERRICK, P. G. C.

Past Grand Chancellor Walter E. Derrick of South Carolina fell victim to the epidemic of influenza, January, 1919, being ill less than a week. Brother Derrick was an able man, endowed by nature with peculiar gifts of personality and talent. His splendid abilities were employed with unstinted devotion in the service of the order. He was not only honored by his brother Pythians, but by his fellow-citizens, as well. He had been called into the service of the state and had been inducted into state office only two weeks prior to his fatal illness. With a worthy record in Pythian service, there was before him the prospect of a brilliant career in public life. His untimely death was not only deeply deplored, but meant a loss to Pythianism in South Carolina, keenly felt.

LOUIS J. BRISTOW, S. C.  
ALVA M. LUMPKIN, S. C.  
HERBERT E. GYLES, S. C.

*Tennessee—*

W. R. CARLISLE, P. G. C.

W. R. Carlisle, past grand chancellor, and member of Damon Lodge No. 2, died at a ripe old age in Pennsylvania, January 31, 1919. Brother Carlisle had retired from business, and was unable to give any attention to the order on account of his age, but his local lodge kept him in good standing until his death.

DOUGLAS P. BATES, P. G. C.

Douglas P. Bates, grand chancellor 1917-1918, a brilliant young lawyer, was killed in a railroad wreck near Nashville, Tenn., July 9th, 1918, only three weeks after he had retired as grand chancellor of Tennessee. Brother Bates was a strong Pythian, a man of influence, and made a splendid grand chancellor. His sudden death was a great shock to his hosts of Pythian friends.

DABNEY M. SCALES, P. G. C.

Dabney M. Scales, grand chancellor, 1913-1914, died while visiting friends and relatives at Sheridan, Wyoming, in June, 1920. Brother Scales



was in the Confederate navy. A graduate of the Naval school at Annapolis, he commanded the battle ship Shenandoah; and his ship was the last to haul down the Confederate flag. After the war between the States was over, he became a loyal American citizen, tendering his services on all occasions for the defense of his Government. During the Spanish-American war he enlisted again in the Navy, and was assigned duty by President McKinley. In the late world's war, although having passed an age of more than three score and ten, being active in life, he volunteered his services to the Government as an interpreter, ready to go to France. He was a fluent linguist, speaking French, Spanish and German with the ease that he spoke English.

A man honored by his fellow man, and beloved by the entire grand domain of Tennessee.

HENRY W. STRATTON, *Tenn.*

WILLIAM B. STEWART, *Tenn.*

WILLIAM A. OWEN, *P. S. R., Tenn.*

*Texas—*

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JOHN F. ONION, S. R.

John Franklin Onion, thirtieth grand chancellor of Texas, and serving as supreme representative at time of his death, was born in Harrison county, Indiana, February 28, 1862. He was initiated in Tyler Lodge No. 27, Tyler, Texas, April 5, 1888, transferring to Unity Lodge No. 36, San Antonio.

The grand domain of Texas, and the order at large, suffered one of its greatest losses when John F. Onion, a great Pythian soldier, fell from the ranks. "The sturdiest oak in the forest has fallen." The voice which has heretofore spoken with so much potency and force has been forever silenced. One of our great spirits, our mentor, our guide, can no longer direct us except through tender memories and noble example. No more shall we have the benefit of his counsel, no longer can we hear his silvery voice, never again can we clasp his hand in fraternal greeting.

On Thursday, October 31, 1918, in the city of Dallas, John F. Onion was called from his earthly labors to "join the innumerable caravan which moves to that mysterious realm where each takes his chamber in the silent halls of death" and on the following Sunday he was tenderly and lovingly laid to rest in the Pythian cemetery in his former home city of San Antonio. A committee of the grand lodge, viz: H. E. Ellis, Charles F. Weiland and George G. Shaw, acted as an escort for his remains, and gave expression of our great love, admiration and respect. His brothers in his old home, to whom he had been brother, prophet and seer, turned out en masse as a tribute of their profound emotion for their departed loved one—simple tenderness was shown; loving words were spoken, and heartfelt sympathy was exhibited.

Brother Onion was, at the time of his death, 56 years of age. He was a learned lawyer and jurist of thirty years active experience at the bar of our State. He was elected grand chancellor in 1903 and was one of our most popular and successful executives. He was later elected supreme representative and served continuously in such capacity, with one short intermission until his death.

As an humble worker in our ranks, his energies were untiring, his devotion without bounds, and his Pythian zeal always at white heat; no duty was to him too humble, no work too arduous. His only question was, "Was it Pythian?" Primarily a lawyer, he beautifully intermingled fidelity to client and justice with devotion to the principles of friendship, charity and benevolence; trained to administer and secure the predominance of right between litigants, there was embodied in his very soul the eternal philosophy of Damon and Pythias and Pythagoras—the brotherhood of man. To him our order furnished an agency by which these ends were attained. They

were his Ark of the Covenant—the Keystone to the Arch. In his daily life they were reflected and made to appear brighter. In his profession, in his lodge and in his home he was a living exemplar of our teachings—a valued friend, an interesting companion, a wise counselor, possessing a charming and ever-flashing intelligence, a loving and devoted husband, he attained in full measure the standard of Pythian manhood.

He has “crossed over the river that marks the unknown shore”. “His hands were filled with deeds of charity.” “The western hills have obscured life’s sun and he sleeps secure in the promise of the dawn of a never-ending day.”

*“Requiescat in Peace.”*

### GEORGE B. GRIGGS, P. S. R.

On May 31, 1919, “the soul of a leader in the triumphant march of Pythanism winged its flight to its Heavenly home.” George B. Griggs, past supreme representative, has left a memory dear to all with whom he came into contact.

No typical word could be more fitting for our loved and lamented brother than the word “representative.”

For seven years he efficiently filled the official position of supreme representative for our order from this domain. But it is a still higher thing to say of him that for twenty-seven years he was a representative Pythian.

During the entire period of his connection with our honored brotherhood, he detracted nought but added much to our fraternal fame. Those words we so fondly cherish, “friendship, charity and benevolence,” broke into perpetual bloom in his daily life, and back of all this, and making all this possible, was that highest fact of all that he was a representative man.

He was a representative citizen. This fact was borne in on the world when his fellow citizens placed him in the halls of our State Senate. There he bore no small part in the fashioning of worthy laws, and more than once efficiently filled the place of temporary presiding officer.

He displayed genuine literary gifts in the publication of several valuable and helpful volumes, while his service and influence in the field of politics was ever most conservative and poised.

He was a representative Christian man. His life was like that of the famous “traveler’s tree” in Madagascar. This beautiful palm tree was so named because at the base of each leaf is a reservoir of clear, cool water. This stored-up water, so refreshing to the traveler, comes not from the earth, but is gathered in from showers from above, and is stored up and kept cool for thirsty passers-by. So our brother’s life was made a constant refreshment to his fellows by its steadfast replenishment from the upper springs. He could repeat the testimony of the famous apostle to the Gentiles, “By the grace of God I am what I am!” And when those long weeks of suffering came that preceded his immortal translation, he braved its awful hours in the spirit of Him whom he worshipped, and said with Him, “Not my will but Thine be done.”

He was a representative husband and father. His home was ever his closest and dearest realm. And the answering love that came back to him there invigorated and sustained him through all life’s struggles and triumphs. From the blessed oases of church and home he gained that sweet charm of character that kept his good cheer undimmed while traversing the stern deserts of daily life. Those of us who have fared with him in the solution of vexed Pythian problems never saw him in a situation so irritating as to change his sunny smile into a forbidding frown.

Such a life, as a man, as a churchman and as a Pythian, could not go through this world without leaving behind it a path of light. His life was as

modest and magnanimous as it was useful and noble, and we can say of him these words from the pen of our personal friend and fellow Texan, Louis M. Waterman:

"Our friend no braggart was, all eloquent  
With self-applause, but he but deemed himself  
A servant of the World where'er he went.  
He stretched no hand to seize mere spoil or pelf,  
But gave both hands to benefit his race.  
If each he blessed should bring today a flower  
To weave a fitting wreath his brow to grace,  
'Twould change this scene to one vast blooming bower."

His worthful life has closed its chapter on the earth, filled with many a glowing paragraph of deeds well done. But how wonderful must prove the chapter now begun in the world beyond—which, some day, be it granted unto us to read?

RAYMOND H. BUCK, *Texas*.

HENRY E. ELLIS, *Texas*.

THOMAS T. CONNALLY, *Texas*.

CHARLES F. WEILAND, *Texas*.

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*Utah—*

WILLIAM HUSBANDS, P. S. R.

CHARLES P. JENNINGS, P. S. R.

The grim reaper having taken his toll from among our brother knights, we are again called upon to present a memorial of remembrance of those who have answered the roll call from above. Their places with us are vacant, but our remembrance is pleasant and lasting.

Prominent among those who have passed to the great beyond are Past Supreme Representatives William Husbands and Charles P. Jennings. Their death has left vacancies that will be hard to fill. The record of their lives here is closed. While we forget their faults, we will strive to emulate their virtues.

"Green be their memory in the Order's heart,  
They loved so well through all their life's span;  
Blessed be their rest who acted well their part,  
Who honored God in doing good to man."

On recommendation of the committee on necrology at the last convention of the grand lodge of Utah, the members of that body stood in silent meditation for one minute that these, our honored dead, might be vouchsafed that eternal peace and happiness to which they were so richly entitled by virtue of their golden deeds on earth.

LOUIS N. MEID, *Utah*.

SAMUEL N. RANDOLPH, *Utah*.

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*Wisconsin—*

GEORGE W. GRAVES, P. G. C.

Brother George W. Graves was made an "honorary" past grand chancellor by election in the grand lodge of Wisconsin, in 1873. He was a member of Berlin Lodge No. 7, Berlin, in which city he died July 14, 1920. At time of his death he was 81 years of age, and was his old, genial self, to the last. His funeral, under Pythian auspices, was modest and befitting the man. He continued his love for the order and its teachings throughout his whole life, and enjoyed splendid comfort through the friendships he formed in the Pythian order.

JOSEPH SCHROEDER, *Wis.*

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### CONVENTIONS OF THE SUPREME LODGE.

|                                               |                                  |
|-----------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1868, April 14 ( <i>provisional</i> )         | Washington, District of Columbia |
| 1868, May 15 ( <i>formative</i> )             | Philadelphia, Pennsylvania       |
| 1868, August 11 ( <i>organization</i> )       | Washington, District of Columbia |
| 1868, November 9 ( <i>adjourned session</i> ) | Wilmington, Delaware             |
| 1869, March 9 ( <i>first annual</i> )         | Richmond, Virginia               |
| 1870, March 8                                 | New York, New York               |
| 1871, April 18                                | Philadelphia, Pennsylvania       |
| 1872, April 16                                | Baltimore, Maryland              |
| 1873, April 15                                | Richmond, Virginia               |
| 1874, April 21                                | Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania         |
| 1875, May 18                                  | Washington, District of Columbia |
| 1876, August 22                               | Philadelphia, Pennsylvania       |
| 1877, August 14                               | Cleveland, Ohio                  |
| 1878, August 26                               | Indianapolis, Indiana            |
| 1880, August 24 ( <i>first biennial</i> )     | St. Louis, Missouri              |
| 1882, August 22                               | Detroit, Michigan                |
| 1884, April 22                                | New Orleans, Louisiana           |
| 1886, July 13                                 | Toronto, Canada                  |
| 1888, June 12                                 | Cincinnati, Ohio                 |
| 1890, July 8                                  | Milwaukee, Wisconsin             |
| 1892, August 23                               | Kansas City, Missouri            |
| 1894, August 28                               | Washington, District of Columbia |
| 1896, August 25                               | Cleveland, Ohio                  |
| 1898, August 23                               | Indianapolis, Indiana            |
| 1900, August 28                               | Detroit, Michigan                |
| 1901, July 9 ( <i>special</i> )               | Chicago, Illinois                |
| 1902, August 12                               | San Francisco, California        |
| 1904, August 16                               | Louisville, Kentucky             |
| 1906, October 16                              | New Orleans, Louisiana           |
| 1908, August 4                                | Boston, Massachusetts            |
| 1910, August 2                                | Milwaukee, Wisconsin             |
| 1912, August 6                                | Denver, Colorado                 |
| 1914, August 4                                | Winnipeg, Manitoba               |
| 1916, August 1                                | Portland, Oregon                 |
| 1918, August 12                               | Detroit, Michigan                |
| 1920, August 10                               | Minneapolis, Minnesota           |

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JUSTUS H. RATHBONE\*..1868.....District of Columbia

### PAST SUPREME CHANCELLOR EMERITUS.

WILLIAM P. WESTWOOD\*..August 11, 1868.....District of Columbia  
EDWARD DUNN.....March 9, 1869.....District of Columbia

### SUPREME VENERABLE PATRIARCH.

1868-1870.....WILBUR H. MYERS\*.....Pennsylvania  
1870-1872.....WILBUR H. MYERS\*.....Pennsylvania  
1872-1874.....SAMUEL READ\*.....New Jersey  
(The title of this office was changed to that following.)

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\*Dead.



## SITTING PAST SUPREME CHANCELLOR.

|                |                      |               |
|----------------|----------------------|---------------|
| 1874-1876..... | HENRY CLAY BERRY*    | Illinois      |
| 1876-1878..... | HENRY CLAY BERRY*    | Illinois      |
| 1878-1880..... | STILLMAN S. DAVIS*   | New Hampshire |
| 1880-1882..... | DAVID B. WOODRUFF*   | Georgia       |
| 1882-1884..... | GEORGE W. LINDSAY*   | Maryland      |
| 1884-1886..... | JOHN P. LINTON*      | Pennsylvania  |
| 1886-1888..... | JOHN VAN VALKENBERG* | Iowa          |
| 1888-1890..... | HOWARD DOUGLASS*     | Ohio          |
| 1890-1892..... | WILLIAM WARD*        | New Jersey    |
| 1892-1894..... | GEORGE B. SHAW*      | Wisconsin     |

(This office was abolished in 1894.)

## SUPREME CHANCELLOR.

|                |                         |               |
|----------------|-------------------------|---------------|
| 1868-1870..... | SAMUEL READ*            | New Jersey    |
| 1870-1872..... | SAMUEL READ*            | New Jersey    |
| 1872-1874..... | HENRY CLAY BERRY*       | Illinois      |
| 1874-1876..... | STILLMAN S. DAVIS*      | New Hampshire |
| 1876-1878..... | STILLMAN S. DAVIS*      | New Hampshire |
| 1878-1880..... | DAVID B. WOODRUFF*      | Georgia       |
| 1880-1882..... | GEORGE W. LINDSAY*      | Maryland      |
| 1882-1884..... | JOHN P. LINTON*         | Pennsylvania  |
| 1884-1886..... | JOHN VAN VALKENBERG*    | Iowa          |
| 1886-1888..... | HOWARD DOUGLASS*        | Ohio          |
| 1888-1890..... | WILLIAM WARD*           | New Jersey    |
| 1890-1892..... | GEORGE B. SHAW*         | Wisconsin     |
| 1892-1894..... | WILLIAM W. BLACKWELL*   | Kentucky      |
| 1894-1896..... | WALTER B. RICHIE*       | Ohio          |
| 1896-1898..... | PHILIP T. COLGROVE..... | Michigan      |
| 1898-1900..... | THOMAS G. SAMPLE*       | Pennsylvania  |
| 1900-1902..... | OGDEN H. FETHERS*       | Wisconsin     |
| 1902-1904..... | TRACY R. BANGS.....     | North Dakota  |
| 1904-1906..... | CHARLES E. SHIVELEY*    | Indiana       |
| 1906-1908..... | CHARLES A. BARNES*      | Illinois      |
| 1908-1910..... | HENRY P. BROWN.....     | Texas         |
| 1910-1912..... | GEORGE M. HANSON.....   | Maine         |
| 1912-1914..... | THOMAS J. CARLING.....  | Georgia       |
| 1914-1916..... | BRIG S. YOUNG.....      | Ohio          |
| 1918-1920..... | CHARLES S. DAVIS.....   | Colorado      |
| 1920-.....     | WILLIAM LADEW.....      | New York      |

## SUPREME VICE CHANCELLOR.

|                |                       |               |
|----------------|-----------------------|---------------|
| 1868-1870..... | JAMES P. HAYES*       | Delaware      |
| 1870-1872..... | CHARLES L. RUSSELL*   | Ohio          |
| 1872-1874..... | STILLMAN S. DAVIS*    | New Hampshire |
| 1874-1876..... | DAVID B. WOODRUFF*    | Georgia       |
| 1876-1878..... | DAVID B. WOODRUFF*    | Georgia       |
| 1878-1880..... | GEORGE W. LINDSAY*    | Maryland      |
| 1880-1882..... | JOHN P. LINTON*       | Pennsylvania  |
| 1882-1884..... | JOHN VAN VALKENBERG*  | Iowa          |
| 1884-1886..... | HOWARD DOUGLASS*      | Ohio          |
| 1886-1888..... | WILLIAM WARD*         | New Jersey    |
| 1888-1890..... | GEORGE B. SHAW*       | Wisconsin     |
| 1890-1892..... | WILLIAM W. BLACKWELL* | Kentucky      |
| 1892-1894..... | WALTER B. RICHIE*     | Ohio          |

\*Dead.

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| 1894-1896..... | PHILIP T. COLGROVE .....   | Michigan     |
| 1896-1898..... | THOMAS G. SAMPLE* .....    | Pennsylvania |
| 1898-1900..... | OGDEN H. FETHERS* .....    | Wisconsin    |
| 1900-1902..... | TRACY R. BANGS .....       | North Dakota |
| 1902-1904..... | CHARLES E. SHIVELEY* ..... | Indiana      |
| 1904-1906..... | CHARLES A. BARNES* .....   | Illinois     |
| 1906-1908..... | HENRY P. BROWN .....       | Texas        |
| 1908-1910..... | GEORGE M. HANSON .....     | Maine        |
| 1910-1912..... | THOMAS J. CARLING .....    | Georgia      |
| 1912-1914..... | BRIG S. YOUNG .....        | Ohio         |
| 1914-1916..... | JOHN J. BROWN.....         | Illinois     |
| 1916-1918..... | CHARLES S. DAVIS.....      | Colorado     |
| 1918-1920..... | WILLIAM LADEW.....         | New York     |
| 1920.....      | GEORGE C. CABELL.....      | Virginia     |

### SUPREME PRELATE.

|                |                           |                    |
|----------------|---------------------------|--------------------|
| 1874-1876..... | OLIVER WOODHOUSE*.....    | Connecticut        |
| 1876-1878..... | CHARLES D. LUCAS*.....    | Missouri           |
| 1878-1880..... | WILLIAM B. THOMPSON*..... | Tennessee          |
| 1880-1882..... | WILLIAM B. THOMPSON*..... | Tennessee          |
| 1882-1884..... | L. B. ALLEN* .....        | Virginia           |
| 1884-1886..... | JOHN S. KING.....         | Ontario            |
| 1886-1888..... | JOHN S. KING.....         | Ontario            |
| 1888-1890..... | CHARLES F. BRAGG.....     | Maine              |
| 1890-1892..... | ELI T. BLACKMER* .....    | California         |
| 1892-1894..... | ELI T. BLACKMER* .....    | California         |
| 1894-1896..... | ALBERT STEINHART .....    | Alabama            |
| 1896-1898..... | ALBERT STEINHART .....    | Alabama            |
| 1898-1900..... | JAMES MOULSON .....       | Maritime Provinces |
| 1900-1902..... | CHARLES F. EASLEY*.....   | New Mexico         |
| 1902-1904..... | GEORGE E. CHURCH .....    | California         |
| 1904-1906..... | LOUIS H. FARNSWORTH ..... | Utah               |
| 1906-1908..... | LEO A. CARO .....         | Michigan           |
| 1908-1910..... | DEWITT C. COBB .....      | New Jersey         |
| 1910-1912..... | JOSEPH H. SPEARING .....  | Louisiana          |
| 1912-1914..... | JOSEPH H. SPEARING .....  | Louisiana          |
| 1914-1916..... | JOSEPH H. SPEARING.....   | Louisiana          |
| 1916-1918..... | JOSEPH H. SPEARING.....   | Louisiana          |
| 1918-1920..... | FREDERICK S. ATTWOOD..... | Minnesota          |
| 1920.....      | FREDERICK S. ATTWOOD..... | Minnesota          |

### SUPREME RECORDING AND CORRESPONDING SCRIBE.

|                |                                       |                      |
|----------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1868-1870..... | CLARENCE M. BARTON*.....              | District of Columbia |
| 1870-1872..... | CLARENCE M. BARTON*.....              | District of Columbia |
| 1872-1873..... | CHAS. P. CARTY,* <i>ad interim</i> .. | Indiana              |
| 1873-1874..... | WM. J. LONG, <i>ad interim</i> .....  | Michigan             |

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### SUPREME KEEPER OF RECORDS AND SEAL.

|                |                        |          |
|----------------|------------------------|----------|
| 1874-1876..... | JOSEPH DOWDALL* .....  | Ohio     |
| 1876-1878..... | JOSEPH DOWDALL* .....  | Ohio     |
| 1878-1880..... | JOSEPH DOWDALL* .....  | Ohio     |
| 1880-1882..... | JOSEPH DOWDALL* .....  | Ohio     |
| 1882-1884..... | JOHN J. WARD* .....    | Maryland |
| 1884-1886..... | ROBERT E. COWAN* ..... | Missouri |
| 1886-1887..... | ROBERT E. COWAN* ..... | Missouri |

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\*Dead.

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|----------------|----------------------|-----------|
| 1887-1888..... | ROBERT L. C. WHITE*  | Tennessee |
| 1888-1890..... | ROBERT L. C. WHITE*  | Tennessee |
| 1890-1892..... | ROBERT L. C. WHITE*  | Tennessee |
| 1892-1894..... | ROBERT L. C. WHITE*  | Tennessee |
| 1894-1896..... | ROBERT L. C. WHITE*  | Tennessee |
| 1896-1898..... | ROBERT L. C. WHITE*  | Tennessee |
| 1898-1900..... | ROBERT L. C. WHITE*  | Tennessee |
| 1900-1902..... | ROBERT L. C. WHITE*  | Tennessee |
| 1902-1904..... | ROBERT L. C. WHITE*  | Tennessee |
| 1904-1906..... | ROBERT L. C. WHITE*  | Tennessee |
| 1906-1908..... | ROBERT L. C. WHITE*  | Tennessee |
| 1908-1909..... | ROBERT L. C. WHITE*  | Tennessee |
| 1909-1910..... | FRED E. WHEATON..... | Minnesota |
| 1910-1912..... | FRED E. WHEATON..... | Minnesota |
| 1912-1914..... | FRED E. WHEATON..... | Minnesota |
| 1914-1916..... | FRED E. WHEATON..... | Minnesota |
| 1916-1918..... | FRED E. WHEATON..... | Minnesota |
| 1918-1920..... | FRED E. WHEATON..... | Minnesota |
| 1920-.....     | FRED E. WHEATON..... | Minnesota |

#### SUPREME BANKER.

|                |                    |              |
|----------------|--------------------|--------------|
| 1868-1870..... | WILLIAM A. PORTER* | Pennsylvania |
| 1870-1872..... | WILLIAM A. PORTER* | Pennsylvania |
| 1872-1874..... | WILLIAM A. PORTER* | Pennsylvania |

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#### SUPREME MASTER OF EXCHEQUER.

|                |                      |                |
|----------------|----------------------|----------------|
| 1874-1876..... | JOHN B. STUMPH*      | Indiana        |
| 1876-1878..... | JOHN B. STUMPH*      | Indiana        |
| 1878-1880..... | JOHN B. STUMPH*      | Indiana        |
| 1880-1882..... | JOHN B. STUMPH*      | Indiana        |
| 1882-1884..... | JOHN B. STUMPH*      | Indiana        |
| 1884-1886..... | STANSBURY J. WILLEY* | Delaware       |
| 1886-1888..... | STANSBURY J. WILLEY* | Delaware       |
| 1888-1890..... | STANSBURY J. WILLEY* | Delaware       |
| 1890-1892..... | STANSBURY J. WILLEY* | Delaware       |
| 1892-1893..... | STANSBURY J. WILLEY* | Delaware       |
| 1893-1894..... | THOMAS G. SAMPLE*    | Pennsylvania   |
| 1894-1896..... | THOMAS G. SAMPLE*    | Pennsylvania   |
| 1896-1898..... | THOMAS D. MEARES     | North Carolina |
| 1898-1900..... | THOMAS D. MEARES     | North Carolina |
| 1900-1902..... | THOMAS D. MEARES     | North Carolina |
| 1902-1904..... | THOMAS D. MEARES     | North Carolina |
| 1904-1906..... | THOMAS D. MEARES     | North Carolina |
| 1906-1908..... | THOMAS D. MEARES     | North Carolina |
| 1908-1910..... | THOMAS D. MEARES     | North Carolina |
| 1910-1912..... | THOMAS D. MEARES     | North Carolina |
| 1912-1914..... | THOMAS D. MEARES     | North Carolina |
| 1914-1916..... | THOMAS D. MEARES     | North Carolina |
| 1916-1918..... | THOMAS D. MEARES     | North Carolina |
| 1918-1920..... | THOMAS D. MEARES     | North Carolina |
| 1920-.....     | THOMAS D. MEARES     | North Carolina |

#### SUPREME GUIDE.

|                |                    |             |
|----------------|--------------------|-------------|
| 1868-1870..... | CHARLES F. ABBOTT* | Maryland    |
| 1870-1872..... | J. F. COMSTOCK*    | Connecticut |

\*Dead.

1872-1874.....WILLIAM B. KENNEDY\*.....Ohio  
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### SUPREME MASTER-AT-ARMS.

1874-1876.....HUGH LATHAM\*.....Virginia  
 1876-1878.....A. EWING\*.....Texas  
 1878-1880.....ROBINSON WILLIAMS.....Maine  
 1880-1882.....J. RUFUS SMITH\*.....West Virginia  
 1882-1884.....GEORGE B. SHAW\*.....Wisconsin  
 1884-1886.....GEORGE B. SHAW\*.....Wisconsin  
 1886-1888.....CHARLES F. BRAGG.....Maine  
 1888-1890.....BOB NEWELL\*.....Arkansas  
 1890-1892.....GEORGE H. MORRISON\*.....Nevada  
 1892-1894.....JOSEPH H. LYON\*.....Kansas  
 1894-1896.....AARON B. GARDENIER\*.....New York  
 1896-1898.....JAMES MOULSON.....Maritime Provinces  
 1898-1900.....HARRY A. BIGELOW\*.....Washington  
 1900-1902.....WILLIAM SIMMONS.....Delaware  
 1902-1904.....LOUIS H. FARNSWORTH.....Utah  
 1904-1906.....CYRUS W. HALL\*.....West Virginia  
 1906-1908.....NOBLE BINNS.....British Columbia  
 1908-1910.....SAMUEL H. DAVIS.....Oklahoma  
 1910-1912.....EDWARD A. HORTON.....Ontario  
 1912-1914.....FRANK A. GODSOE.....Maritime Provinces  
 1914-1916.....MERRILL G. MARTINDALE.....Washington.  
 1916-1918.....HERMAN M. BECK.....Alabama  
 1918-1920.....FRED J. G. MCARTHUR.....Manitoba  
 1920.....JAMES H. GWINN.....Oregon

### SUPREME INNER STEWARD.

1868-1870.....HARRY KRONHEIMER.....District of Columbia  
 1870-1872.....HENRY C. LLOYD\*.....Kentucky  
 1872-1874.....JOSEPH D. WEEKS\*.....Iowa  
*(The title of this office was changed to that following.)*

### SUPREME INNER GUARD.

1874-1876.....CHARLES H. HODGSON\*.....West Virginia  
 1876-1878.....WILLIAM H. MOYSTON\*.....Tennessee  
 1878-1880.....THOMAS M. FISHER.....Colorado  
 1880-1882.....GEORGE B. SHAW\*.....Wisconsin  
 1882-1884.....GEORGE G. MANLOVE\*.....Mississippi  
 1884-1886.....CHARLES F. BRAGG.....Maine  
 1886-1888.....BOB NEWELL\*.....Arkansas  
 1888-1890.....GEORGE H. MORRISON\*.....Nevada  
 1890-1892.....M. C. BARKWELL.....Wyoming  
 1892-1894.....AARON B. GARDENIER\*.....New York  
 1894-1896.....JAMES MOULSON.....Maritime Provinces  
 1896-1898.....HARRY A. BIGELOW\*.....Washington  
 1898-1900.....WILLIAM SIMMONS.....Delaware  
 1900-1902.....FRED. EMERY BEANE.....Maine  
 1902-1904.....CYRUS W. HALL\*.....West Virginia  
 1904-1906.....JOHN T. HUGGARD.....Manitoba  
 1906-1908.....SAMUEL H. DAVIS.....Indian Territory  
 1908-1910.....E. ALLISON POWERS.....Quebec  
 1910-1912.....HARRY A. DRACHMAN.....Arizona

\*Dead.



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|----------------|-------------------------|-------------|
| 1912-1914..... | DOUGLAS S. WRIGHT ..... | Mississippi |
| 1914-1916..... | DOUGLAS S. WRIGHT ..... | Mississippi |
| 1916-1918..... | DOUGLAS S. WRIGHT.....  | Mississippi |
| 1918-1920..... | DOUGLAS S. WRIGHT.....  | Mississippi |
| 1920-.....     | DOUGLAS S. WRIGHT.....  | Mississippi |

**SUPREME OUTER STEWARD.**

|                |                           |               |
|----------------|---------------------------|---------------|
| 1868-1870..... | FREDERICK COPPES* .....   | Pennsylvania  |
| 1870-1872..... | GEORGE H. CRAGER* .....   | Nebraska      |
| 1872-1874..... | CHARLES H. HODGSON* ..... | West Virginia |

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**SUPREME OUTER GUARD.**

|                |                           |                      |
|----------------|---------------------------|----------------------|
| 1874-1876..... | WILLIAM H. MOYSTON* ..... | Tennessee            |
| 1876-1878..... | JOHN W. THOMPSON* .....   | District of Columbia |
| 1878-1880..... | JOHN W. THOMPSON* .....   | District of Columbia |
| 1880-1882..... | JOHN W. THOMPSON* .....   | District of Columbia |
| 1882-1884..... | JOHN W. THOMPSON* .....   | District of Columbia |
| 1884-1886..... | JOHN W. THOMPSON* .....   | District of Columbia |
| 1886-1888..... | JOHN W. THOMPSON* .....   | District of Columbia |
| 1888-1890..... | JOHN W. THOMPSON* .....   | District of Columbia |
| 1890-1892..... | JOHN W. THOMPSON* .....   | District of Columbia |
| 1892-1894..... | JOHN W. THOMPSON* .....   | District of Columbia |
| 1894-1896..... | JOHN W. THOMPSON* .....   | District of Columbia |
| 1896-1898..... | JOHN W. THOMPSON* .....   | District of Columbia |
| 1898-1900..... | JOHN W. THOMPSON* .....   | District of Columbia |
| 1900-1902..... | JOHN W. THOMPSON* .....   | District of Columbia |
| 1902-1904..... | JOHN W. THOMPSON* .....   | District of Columbia |
| 1904-1906..... | JOHN W. THOMPSON* .....   | District of Columbia |
| 1906-1907..... | JOSEPH H. LYON* .....     | Kansas               |
| 1907-1908..... | WILLIAM D. CAMERON* ..... | Mississippi          |
| 1908-1909..... | WILLIAM D. CAMERON* ..... | Mississippi          |
| 1909-1910..... | HENRY M. WADSWORTH.....   | Pennsylvania         |
| 1910-1912..... | HENRY M. WADSWORTH.....   | Pennsylvania         |
| 1912-1914..... | HENRY M. WADSWORTH.....   | Pennsylvania         |
| 1914-1916..... | HENRY M. WADSWORTH.....   | Pennsylvania         |
| 1916-1918..... | HENRY M. WADSWORTH.....   | Pennsylvania         |
| 1918-1920..... | HENRY M. WADSWORTH.....   | Pennsylvania         |
| 1920-.....     | HENRY M. WADSWORTH.....   | Pennsylvania         |

**SUPREME SECRETARY OF THE ENDOWMENT RANK.**

|                |                           |                      |
|----------------|---------------------------|----------------------|
| 1886-1887..... | HALVOR NELSON* .....      | District of Columbia |
| 1887-1888..... | WILLIAM B. KENNEDY* ..... | Ohio                 |
| 1888-1890..... | WILLIAM B. KENNEDY* ..... | Ohio                 |
| 1890-1892..... | WILLIAM B. KENNEDY* ..... | Ohio                 |

*(This office was abolished in 1892.)*

**PRESIDENT OF BOARD OF CONTROL, ENDOWMENT RANK.**

|                |                           |           |
|----------------|---------------------------|-----------|
| 1892-1894..... | JOHN A. HINSEY* .....     | Wisconsin |
| 1894-1896..... | JOHN A. HINSEY* .....     | Wisconsin |
| 1896-1898..... | JOHN A. HINSEY* .....     | Wisconsin |
| 1898-1900..... | JOHN A. HINSEY* .....     | Wisconsin |
| 1900-1901..... | JOHN A. HINSEY* .....     | Illinois  |
| 1901-1902..... | CHARLES F. S. NEAL* ..... | Indiana   |

\*Dead.

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|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|---------|
| 1902-1904.....                                                                                            | CHARLES F. S. NEAL* | Indiana |
| 1904-1906.....                                                                                            | CHARLES F. S. NEAL* | Indiana |
| <i>(Upon the adoption of the Supreme Constitution of 1906, this ceased to be a Supreme Lodge office.)</i> |                     |         |

### MAJOR GENERAL OF THE UNIFORM RANK.

|                                                                                                           |                        |           |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|-----------|
| 1886-1888.....                                                                                            | JAMES R. CARNAHAN*     | Indiana   |
| 1888-1890.....                                                                                            | JAMES R. CARNAHAN*     | Indiana   |
| 1890-1892.....                                                                                            | JAMES R. CARNAHAN*     | Indiana   |
| 1892-1894.....                                                                                            | JAMES R. CARNAHAN*     | Indiana   |
| 1894-1896.....                                                                                            | JAMES R. CARNAHAN*     | Indiana   |
| 1896-1898.....                                                                                            | JAMES R. CARNAHAN*     | Indiana   |
| 1898-1900.....                                                                                            | JAMES R. CARNAHAN*     | Indiana   |
| 1900-1902.....                                                                                            | JAMES R. CARNAHAN*     | Indiana   |
| 1902-1904.....                                                                                            | JAMES R. CARNAHAN*     | Indiana   |
| 1904-1905.....                                                                                            | JAMES R. CARNAHAN*     | Indiana   |
| 1905-1906.....                                                                                            | ARTHUR J. STOBART..... | Minnesota |
| <i>(Upon the adoption of the Supreme Constitution of 1906, this ceased to be a Supreme Lodge office.)</i> |                        |           |

### SUPREME REPRESENTATIVES.

|                          |                          |                        |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|
| Abbey, Perley L.....     | Michigan .....           | 1910, 12               |
| Abbott, John H. ....     | Massachusetts .....      | 1896, 98, 1900, 01, 02 |
| Abernathy, A. H. ....    | Tennessee .....          | 1908, 10               |
| Ackerman, Theron .....   | British Columbia .....   | 1898, 1900, 01         |
| Adams, B. F. ....        | New Mexico .....         | 1904, 06               |
| Adams, John M. ....      | Texas .....              | 1896, 98, 1904, 06     |
| Adams, Stanley .....     | Kentucky .....           | 1900, 01, 02           |
| Adolph, Frederick .....  | Louisiana .....          | 1894, 96, 1902, 04     |
| Agatz, Fred W.....       | Washington .....         | 1920                   |
| Aitken, J. F. ....       | Nevada .....             | 1900, 01, 02           |
| Aitken, J. M. ....       | Arizona .....            | 1906, 08, 10           |
| Akins, John E.....       | Idaho .....              | 1916, 18               |
| Albright, J. A.....      | Tennessee .....          | 1910, 12               |
| Aldrich, L. G.....       | Mississippi .....        | 1894, 96, 98, 1900, 01 |
| Alexander, G. W.....     | Washington .....         | 1884                   |
| Alexander, J. H.....     | Virginia .....           | 1888, 90, 92, 94       |
| Alexander, J. P. ....    | Texas .....              | 1882, 84               |
| Allen, F. R.....         | Missouri .....           | 1878                   |
| Allen, George W.....     | Pennsylvania .....       | 1910, 12               |
| Allen, H. H.....         | Missouri .....           | 1896, 98, 1900, 01     |
| Allen, L. B.....         | Virginia .....           | 1880, 82               |
| Allen, William I.....    | Nebraska .....           | 1918, 20               |
| Allison, Alexander ..... | Tennessee .....          | 1875, 76               |
| Althoff, August .....    | Iowa .....               | 1875, 76               |
| Ames, A. A.....          | Minnesota .....          | 1878, 80               |
| Anstie, H. J.....        | British Columbia .....   | 1896, 98, 1900, 01, 02 |
| Anderson, Edward C.....  | North Dakota .....       | 1920                   |
| Arbenz, John P.....      | West Virginia .....      | 1916, 18, 20           |
| Armstrong, J. R.....     | Maritime Provinces ..... | 1888, 90               |
| Armstrong, T. C.....     | Utah .....               | 1884, 88               |
| Arndt, H. R.....         | California .....         | 1904, 06               |
| Atchison, T. A.....      | Arizona .....            | 1884, 86               |
| Atkinson, Edward .....   | Kentucky .....           | 1892, 94, 96, 98       |
| Atkinson, H. A.....      | Virginia .....           | 1882                   |
| Attwood, Fred S.....     | Minnesota .....          | 1916, 18               |
| Aubin, A. L.....         | Missouri .....           | 1876                   |

|                       |                      |                                                    |
|-----------------------|----------------------|----------------------------------------------------|
| Aunspaugh, R. P.      | Texas                | 1880                                               |
| Aven, W. M.           | Texas                | 1894                                               |
| Bachelder, T. F.      | California           | 1890, 92                                           |
| Bacon, Edmund         | South Carolina       | 1906, 08                                           |
| Bacon, S. M.          | Connecticut          | 1890, 92                                           |
| Badgley, M. F.        | New Jersey           | 1876, 77                                           |
| Bailey, N. A.         | Vermont              | 1894                                               |
| Bake, Oliver M.       | Ohio                 | 1910, 12                                           |
| Baker, J. L.          | New York             | 1908, 10                                           |
| Baldwin, W. W.        | Arizona              | 1888, 90                                           |
| Ballantyne, John, Jr. | Massachusetts        | 1910, 12, 14, 16, 18, 20                           |
| Ballreich, Charles A. | Colorado             | 1920                                               |
| Bangs, George A.      | North Dakota         | 1902, 04, 06, 08, 10, 12, 14                       |
| Bangs, Tracy R.       | North Dakota         | 1890, 92, 94, 96, 98, 1900                         |
| Barkley, J. H.        | Illinois             | 1906, 08, 10                                       |
| Barkwell, M. C.       | Wyoming              | 1886, 88, 90                                       |
| Barnard, Alfred S.    | North Carolina       | 1910, 12, 14                                       |
| Barnes, C. A.         | Illinois             | 1896, 98, 1900, 01, 02, 04                         |
| Barnesdale, Elijah K. | Ontario              | 1912, 14                                           |
| Barney, J. H.         | Rhode Island         | 1872                                               |
| Bartlett, E. L.       | Kansas               | 1875, 76, 77                                       |
| Bartlett, E. L.       | New Mexico           | 1886                                               |
| Bartram, Carroll S.   | Minnesota            | 1912, 14, 18                                       |
| Bass, L. L.           | Virginia             | 1875, 76, 78                                       |
| Bates, W. R.          | Michigan             | 1874, 75, 76, 77                                   |
| Baumann, G. W.        | District of Columbia | 1904, 06                                           |
| Baxter, Ernest C.     | Montana              | 1918, 20                                           |
| Baxter, William       | Maryland             | 1868, 69                                           |
| Beairsto, Fred P.     | Alberta              | 1912, 14                                           |
| Beane, Fred Emery     | Maine                | 1896, 98, 1900                                     |
| Beans, James H.       | West Virginia        | 1912, 14, 16, 18, 20                               |
| Beard, J. C.          | Louisiana            | 1880, 82, 86                                       |
| Beatty, William       | Ohio                 | 1892                                               |
| Beck, Herman M.       | Alabama              | 1912, 14                                           |
| Beckford, F. M.       | New Hampshire        | 1898, 1900, 01, 02, 04, 06, 08, 12, 14, 16, 18, 20 |
| Bedell, Alonzo        | New York             | 1900, 01, 02                                       |
| Beebe, John W.        | Pennsylvania         | 1875, 76, 77                                       |
| Behnsen, C. L.        | British Columbia     | 1892, 94                                           |
| Behnsen, H. F. W.     | British Columbia     | 1890, 92                                           |
| Belisario, M. M.      | Florida              | 1892                                               |
| Bell, C. G.           | Mississippi          | 1908                                               |
| Bell, F. W.           | California           | 1886, 88                                           |
| Bell, Miller S.       | Georgia              | 1916, 18, 20                                       |
| Bell, S. H.           | New Hampshire        | 1900, 01, 02                                       |
| Bennett, A. W.        | Michigan             | 1902                                               |
| Bennett, Edwin T.     | Michigan             | 1892                                               |
| Bennett, John W.      | British Columbia     | 1918                                               |
| Bennett, L. E.        | Indian Territory     | 1890, 92, 94, 96                                   |
| Bennett, T. D.        | West Virginia        | 1904, 06                                           |
| Bennetto, Israel      | Manitoba             | 1892, 94                                           |
| Bentley, W. M.        | Manitoba             | 1906, 08, 12, 14                                   |
| Benton, T. O.         | Louisiana            | 1884, 86                                           |
| Berger, William M.    | New Mexico           | 1914, 16                                           |
| Bernhardt, Julius     | Arkansas             | 1916, 18                                           |
| Bernstein, Henry      | Louisiana            | 1900, 01, 02, 04, 06                               |
| Berry, Henry Clay     | Illinois             | 1869, 70, 71, 72                                   |
| Berry, William        | Connecticut          | 1876, 77, 88                                       |

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| Beshoar, M.            | Colorado         | 1880, 82                                 |
| Best, Robert L.        | North Dakota     | 1916, 18                                 |
| Betton, F. H.          | Kansas           | 1878                                     |
| Bigelow, H. A.         | Washington       | 1886, 88, 90, 92, 94, 96                 |
| Billings, C. L.        | Florida          | 1888, 90                                 |
| Binns, Noble           | British Columbia | 1904, 06, 20                             |
| Birch, G. B.           | Missouri         | 1872                                     |
| Bird, W. A. S.         | Kansas           | 1900, 01, 02, 04, 06                     |
| Blackburn, D. M.       | Pennsylvania     | 1875                                     |
| Blackmer, E. T.        | California       | 1882, 84, 88, 90                         |
| Blackwell, W. W.       | Kentucky         | 1882, 84, 86, 88, 90                     |
| Blake, E. E.           | Oklahoma         | 1896, 98                                 |
| Blancois, William      | Pennsylvania     | 1872, 73, 74                             |
| Bledsoe, Benj. F.      | California       | 1914, 16, 18, 20                         |
| Bledsoe, James J.      | Wyoming          | 1914                                     |
| Bloch, Jacob D.        | Alabama          | 1918                                     |
| Blocker, O. H.         | North Carolina   | 1873, 74                                 |
| Blomquist, F. M.       | British Columbia | 1890, 02                                 |
| Blow, A. L.            | North Carolina   | 1878                                     |
| Blumenthal, Henry G.   | Utah             | 1916                                     |
| Boese, John B.         | Alberta          | 1918, 20                                 |
| Bohannon, D. W.        | Virginia         | 1871, 72                                 |
| Bolton, D. C.          | New Jersey       | 1896, 98                                 |
| Bone, Eugene E.        | Illinois         | 1912, 14, 16, 18                         |
| Bonham, M. L.          | South Carolina   | 1904, 08, 10, 12                         |
| Bonitz, J. A.          | North Carolina   | 1884, 86, 88, 90                         |
| Bonner, J. T.          | Texas            | 1904, 06, 08                             |
| Bookwalter, Charles A. | Indiana          | 1910, 12                                 |
| Booth, A. G.           | California       | 1875                                     |
| Booth, A. R.           | Louisiana        | 1880, 82, 84                             |
| Bourne, W. H.          | Georgia          | 1871, 72, 73                             |
| Bowen, J. E.           | Rhode Island     | 1904, 06, 08, 10, 12                     |
| Bowers, Frank          | Indiana          | 1920                                     |
| Bowers, William W.     | New Mexico       | 1918                                     |
| Bowman, N. P.          | Vermont          | 1890                                     |
| Bowns, E. E.           | Connecticut      | 1871, 72                                 |
| Bozorth, J. O.         | Oregon           | 1886, 88                                 |
| Bradshaw, W. L.        | Oregon           | 1904, 06, 08, 10                         |
| Bragg, C. F.           | Maine            | 1877, 78, 80, 82, 84                     |
| Braley, S. F.          | Vermont          | 1890, 92                                 |
| Brandt, Adolph         | Georgia          | 1886, 88                                 |
| Brannon, W. H.         | Georgia          | 1908, 10, 12, 14                         |
| Brantley, Benj. D.     | Georgia          | 1914, 16, 18, 20                         |
| Bray, J. E.            | Nevada           | 1894, 1908                               |
| Brayton, James B.      | Rhode Island     | 1876, 77, 78, 80, 82, 84, 86, 88, 90, 92 |
| Brennan, J. R.         | South Dakota     | 1892, 94                                 |
| Bretherton, W. L.      | Montana          | 1886, 88                                 |
| Bricken, C. R.         | Alabama          | 1900, 01, 02                             |
| Bridge, Marion A.      | Ohio             | 1898, 1900, 01, 02, 04, 06, 08, 16       |
| Bright, Jephtha        | Tennessee        | 1902, 04                                 |
| Bristow, Louis J.      | South Carolina   | 1920                                     |
| Britton, Frank L.      | Kansas           | 1906, 08, 10, 12                         |
| Broening, William F.   | Maryland         | 1910, 12, 14, 16, 18, 20                 |
| Brokaw, Rynier V.      | Kansas           | 1918, 20                                 |
| Brown, Arla M.         | Indiana          | 1912, 14, 16, 18                         |
| Brown, C. H.           | Georgia          | 1875, 76                                 |
| Brown, H. P.           | Texas            | 1900, 01, 02, 04, 06                     |
| Brown, Joseph C.       | California       | 1920                                     |



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| Brown, J. J. ....       | Illinois             | 1898, 1900, 01, 02, 04, 06, 08, 10, 12, 14, 16 |
| Brown, J. L. ....       | Indiana              | 1869, 70                                       |
| Brown, James L. ....    | British Columbia     | 1914, 16                                       |
| Brown, Urbin W. ....    | Vermont              | 1910, 12, 14                                   |
| Browne, E. L. ....      | New Mexico           | 1900, 02, 04                                   |
| Browne, J. B. ....      | Mississippi          | 1875, 76, 77                                   |
| Browne, Lew. G. ....    | Tennessee            | 1916                                           |
| Browne, M. W. ....      | New Mexico           | 1888                                           |
| Brunner, T. C. ....     | Nebraska             | 1871                                           |
| Brunt, Harold C. ....   | Oklahoma             | 1914, 16, 18, 20                               |
| Buchanan, D. E. ....    | Oregon               | 1884, 86, 88, 90                               |
| Buchanan, H. W. ....    | Vermont              | 1900, 01, 02                                   |
| Buchanan, J. M. ....    | Mississippi          | 1896, 98                                       |
| Buchman, Fred. ....     | Illinois             | 1869                                           |
| Buck, Henry ....        | Arizona              | 1884                                           |
| Buck, Raymond H. ....   | Texas                | 1914, 16, 18, 20                               |
| Buckles, A. J. ....     | California           | 1898, 1900, 01                                 |
| Buist, J. S. ....       | South Carolina       | 1873, 75                                       |
| Bunnell, C. F. ....     | Manitoba             | 1892, 94, 96                                   |
| Burdick, George A. .... | Ontario              | 1910, 12                                       |
| Burns, John. ....       | Maryland             | 1868, 69                                       |
| Burns, John C. ....     | Ohio                 | 1886, 88, 90, 92, 94, 96, 98, 1900, 01, 02, 04 |
| Burns, R. F. ....       | California           | 1908, 10, 12, 14, 16                           |
| Burroughs, F. M. ....   | Illinois             | 1894, 96                                       |
| Butler, W. R. ....      | Tennessee            | 1872                                           |
| Butterfield, A. H. .... | Vermont              | 1908, 14                                       |
| Butterfield, A. P. .... | Ohio                 | 1890, 92, 94, 96, 98, 1900, 01                 |
| Bynum, T. A. ....       | District of Columbia | 1908, 10, 12, 14                               |
| Cabell, George C. ....  | Virginia             | 1908, 10, 12, 14, 16, 18, 20                   |
| Cain, John S. ....      | Mississippi          | 1875, 76, 77, 78                               |
| Cairns, Wilson M. ....  | Quebec               | 1920                                           |
| Cake, William M. ....   | Oregon               | 1902, 04, 06, 08                               |
| Calkins, L. S. ....     | California           | 1904, 06                                       |
| Calvert, F. G. ....     | District of Columbia | 1871                                           |
| Cameron, John ....      | Iowa                 | 1877, 78                                       |
| Cameron, W. D. ....     | Mississippi          | 1900, 01, 02, 04, 06                           |
| Campbell, Benj. T. .... | Quebec               | 1914, 16                                       |
| Campbell, John. ....    | Quebec               | 1906, 10, 12                                   |
| Campbell, John H. ....  | Arizona              | 1916                                           |
| Canfield, E. W. ....    | West Virginia        | 1877, 78                                       |
| Canniff, H. J. ....     | Kansas               | 1873, 74                                       |
| Carling, T. J. ....     | Georgia              | 1894, 96, 98, 1900, 01, 02, 04, 06, 08, 10     |
| Carlton, Samuel G. .... | Michigan             | 1912                                           |
| Carnahan, J. R. ....    | Indiana              | 1882, 84                                       |
| Caro, L. A. ....        | Michigan             | 1904, 06                                       |
| Carr, J. H. ....        | Pennsylvania         | 1894, 96, 1900, 01, 02                         |
| Carrington, W. C. ....  | Virginia             | 1874, 75                                       |
| Carroll, Michael. ....  | Louisiana            | 1872                                           |
| Carson, Samuel H. ....  | Delaware             | 1914, 16                                       |
| Carter, David. ....     | Nebraska             | 1869, 70                                       |
| Carter, J. W. ....      | Kentucky             | 1892                                           |
| Carter, J. W. ....      | Nebraska             | 1875                                           |
| Carter, James W. ....   | District of Columbia | 1910, 12                                       |
| Carter, Stanton L. .... | California           | 1892, 94, 96, 98                               |
| Carty, Charles P. ....  | Indiana              | 1869, 70, 71                                   |
| Casady, W. H. ....      | Idaho                | 1912, 14                                       |
| Cashman, D. A. ....     | Illinois             | 1870, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77               |

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| Caton, Charles M.   | South Dakota         | 1912                                   |
| Catrow, Josiah.     | Ohio                 | 1902, 04                               |
| Caven, John         | Indiana              | 1869, 70, 71                           |
| Challenger, Thomas. | Delaware             | 1868                                   |
| Chaplin, W. E.      | Wyoming              | 1886, 88, 98, 1900, 01, 02, 04, 06, 08 |
| Chapman, Jesse      | Ontario              | 1886, 88                               |
| Chard, G. H.        | California           | 1869, 70                               |
| Chase, B. T.        | Maine                | 1892, 94                               |
| Chase, Francis A.   | Massachusetts        | 1880, 82                               |
| Chenoweth, J. F.    | West Virginia        | 1910, 14                               |
| Cherry, U. S. G.    | South Dakota         | 1898, 1900, 01, 02, 04, 06, 08, 10, 12 |
| Child, S. S.        | Pennsylvania         | 1868, 69                               |
| Childs, John L.     | California           | 1918                                   |
| Church, G. E.       | California           | 1900, 01, 02                           |
| Chute, J. F.        | Maine                | 1888                                   |
| Clark, A. G.        | Dakota               | 1886                                   |
| Clark, F. H.        | Wyoming              | 1890, 92, 94                           |
| Clark, H. J.        | Oregon               | 1882                                   |
| Clark, J. D.        | Ohio                 | 1906, 08, 10, 12, 14                   |
| Clarke, George J.   | Maritime Provinces   | 1910, 12                               |
| Clarke, J. S. B.    | Massachusetts        | 1906, 08, 10, 12                       |
| Claytur, S. C.      | New Hampshire        | 1873                                   |
| Cleveland, John F.  | Arizona              | 1912, 14                               |
| Clizbe, W. D.       | Michigan             | 1898, 1900, 01, 02, 04                 |
| Clough, F. W.       | New Hampshire        | 1908, 10                               |
| Cobb, DeWitt C.     | New Jersey           | 1904, 06, 08                           |
| Cobb, F. L.         | New Jersey           | 1871                                   |
| Cobb, W. H. M.      | Nevada               | 1892                                   |
| Cochran, J. W.      | New Jersey           | 1874, 75                               |
| Coe, L. W.          | Wisconsin            | 1874, 75, 77, 78, 80, 82               |
| Cohen, Albert       | Arkansas             | 1882                                   |
| Cohen, James J.     | Delaware             | 1916, 18                               |
| Coldwell, J. T.     | District of Columbia | 1876, 77                               |
| Cole, C. K.         | Montana              | 1886, 88, 90                           |
| Cole, J. W.         | New York             | 1871                                   |
| Cole, Otis.         | New York             | 1873                                   |
| Colgrove, P. T.     | Michigan             | 1890, 92, 94                           |
| Comings, Arthur F.  | Illinois             | 1902, 04                               |
| Comstock, J. F.     | Connecticut          | 1869, 70, 74                           |
| Conger, J. H.       | New Jersey           | 1908, 10, 12, 14, 16, 18, 20           |
| Connally, Thomas T. | Texas                | 1916, 18, 20                           |
| Connelly, B. W.     | West Virginia        | 1894, 96                               |
| Conner, J. B.       | District of Columbia | 1896, 98                               |
| Conybeare, C. F. P. | Alberta              | 1908, 10, 12, 14, 16, 18, 20           |
| Conybeare, C. F. P. | Manitoba             | 1904, 06                               |
| Cook, Fitch C.      | Illinois             | 1898, 1900, 01                         |
| Cook, W. S.         | North Carolina       | 1894, 96                               |
| Cooper, D. C.       | Alabama              | 1906, 08, 10                           |
| Cooper, E. C.       | North Dakota         | 1892, 94, 96, 98, 1900, 01             |
| Copeland, Fred R.   | Manitoba             | 1916                                   |
| Copeland, W. E.     | Nebraska             | 1886, 88                               |
| Corlew, J. S.       | Utah                 | 1904, 06                               |
| Corput, Felix.      | Georgia              | 1877, 78, 80                           |
| Corson, Charles M.  | New Hampshire        | 1912, 14, 16                           |
| Cotter, W. A.       | Kentucky             | 1875, 76, 78                           |
| Cowan, A. C.        | Florida              | 1886, 88                               |
| Cowan, R. E.        | Missouri             | 1880, 82, 84                           |
| Cowles, Edward P.   | Connecticut          | 1918                                   |

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| Cowles, P. J.       | Vermont                  | 1908, 10, 12                                   |
| Cox, Joseph H.      | Arizona                  | 1906                                           |
| Cozens, S. D.       | Pennsylvania             | 1882, 84, 90, 92                               |
| Crager, G. H.       | Nebraska                 | 1869, 70, 72                                   |
| Crahen, P. H.       | Wisconsin                | 1906, 08                                       |
| Craig, George       | Maritime Provinces       | 1886                                           |
| Crist, William C.   | North Carolina           | 1920                                           |
| Crites, Joseph J.   | Missouri                 | 1914, 16, 18, 20                               |
| Cromwell, James L.  | Minnesota                | 1906, 08                                       |
| Cross, R. W.        | Utah                     | 1890                                           |
| Crossan, James      | British Columbia         | 1894, 96                                       |
| Crouch, G. W.       | Pennsylvania             | 1870, 71                                       |
| Crouch, Leslie E.   | Oregon                   | 1920                                           |
| Crowley, T. J.      | California               | 1894, 96                                       |
| Crowther, Geo. C.   | Missouri                 | 1910, 12                                       |
| Culver, G. M.       | Kansas                   | 1908, 10                                       |
| Cunningham, Arch.   | Idaho                    | 1906, 08                                       |
| Cunningham, E. L.   | Virginia                 | 1904, 06                                       |
| Curl, Laufin M.     | Oregon                   | 1910, 12                                       |
| Curme, A. A.        | Indiana                  | 1884, 86                                       |
| Curry, A. B.        | Minnesota                | 1876, 77                                       |
| Curry, Ira G.       | Michigan                 | 1914, 16                                       |
| Curtin, J. R. N.    | District of Columbia     | 1868, 69, 70                                   |
| Curtis, E. D.       | Oregon                   | 1882, 84, 1916, 18                             |
| Curtis, M. S.       | Michigan                 | 1892, 94                                       |
| Curtis, T. L.       | Minnesota                | 1872, 73, 74                                   |
| Cutler, Frank E.    | Connecticut              | 1902                                           |
| Cutler, F. W.       | Wisconsin                | 1871                                           |
| Cutts, R. W.        | North Dakota             | 1890                                           |
| Dabney, Marye       | Mississippi              | 1886                                           |
| Daneke, E. T.       | Maryland                 | 1878, 80, 82, 84, 88, 92                       |
| Daniels, J. W.      | Idaho                    | 1894, 96, 98, 1900, 01                         |
| Dann, F. P.         | California               | 1875, 76, 77, 78, 80                           |
| Darland, Charles A. | Arkansas                 | 1920                                           |
| Davenport, W. H.    | Nevada                   | 1882                                           |
| Davis, Charles S.   | Colorado                 | 1898, 1900, 01, 02, 04, 06, 08, 10, 12, 14, 16 |
| Davis, L. E.        | Rhode Island             | 1898, 1900, 01                                 |
| Davis, Marion F.    | Oregon                   | 1912, 14                                       |
| Davis, S. H.        | Indian Territory (Okla.) | 1904, 06, 12                                   |
| Davis, S. S.        | New Hampshire            | 1871, 72                                       |
| Dawson, C. C.       | Colorado                 | 1902, 04, 06                                   |
| Dawson, E. W.       | Connecticut              | 1869, 70                                       |
| Deacon, J. M.       | Maritime Provinces       | 1902, 04                                       |
| Deckman, C. J.      | Ohio                     | 1904, 06, 08, 10, 12, 14, 16, 18, 20           |
| De la Mare, J. C.   | New York                 | 1892, 94, 96, 98                               |
| Deering, T. W.      | Kansas                   | 1874, 75                                       |
| DeHart, W. W.       | Florida                  | 1904, 06                                       |
| Devine, T. H.       | Colorado                 | 1900, 01                                       |
| Dibert, Scott       | Pennsylvania             | 1904, 06, 08, 10                               |
| Dickey, Alfred      | Indiana                  | 1880                                           |
| Dickinson, Samuel   | Wyoming                  | 1918, 20                                       |
| Dickman, John B.    | District of Columbia     | 1920                                           |
| Dillard, B. J.      | Tennessee                | 1906, 08                                       |
| Dille, J. I.        | Oklahoma                 | 1892, 94                                       |
| Dillon, J. P.       | Arizona                  | 1904                                           |
| Disque, J. H.       | Alabama                  | 1894, 96                                       |
| Dinnie, James A.    | North Dakota             | 1918, 20                                       |

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| Divine, Hugh G. ....     | District of Columbia....   | 1868, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73,<br>74, 75  |
| Dobson, J. H. ....       | Manitoba .....             | 1896                                 |
| Dodge, A. V. ....        | Iowa .....                 | 1880                                 |
| Dodson, G. H. ....       | Oklahoma .....             | 1900, 01, 02                         |
| Donath, Ralph .....      | New Jersey .....           | 1898                                 |
| Douglas, Charles I. .... | Utah .....                 | 1906, 08                             |
| Douglas, Hamilton .....  | Georgia .....              | 1896, 98, 1900, 01, 02, 04, 06       |
| Douglass, Howard. ....   | Ohio .....                 | 1871, 80, 82, 84                     |
| Dowell, C. C. ....       | Iowa .....                 | 1900, 01, 02, 04, 06, 08, 10, 12, 14 |
| Downs, P. L. ....        | Texas .....                | 1898, 1900, 01, 02                   |
| Doyne, J. J. ....        | Arkansas .....             | 1904, 06, 08, 10, 18, 20             |
| Drachman, H. A. ....     | Arizona .....              | 1904, 08, 10                         |
| Driscoll, J. F. ....     | Rhode Island .....         | 1871, 73, 74                         |
| Drummond, J. H. ....     | Maine .....                | 1886                                 |
| Dudley, J. G. ....       | District of Columbia ..... | 1868, 69                             |
| Dudley, J. L. ....       | North Carolina .....       | 1882, 84                             |
| Dunbar, William H. ....  | West Virginia .....        | 1914, 16                             |
| Duncan, E. W. ....       | Utah .....                 | 1898, 1900, 01                       |
| Duncan, Frank E. ....    | Oklahoma .....             | 1914, 16, 18, 20                     |
| Dunham, W. M. ....       | Louisiana .....            | 1871                                 |
| Dunlap, W. L. ....       | Indiana .....              | 1892, 94, 98, 1900                   |
| Dunn, Edward. ....       | District of Columbia ..... | 1870, 71                             |
| Dunnell, H. N. ....      | Pennsylvania .....         | 1900, 01, 02                         |
| Dunten, F. J. ....       | Indiana .....              | 1908, 10                             |
| Durand, E. F. ....       | Connecticut .....          | 1892, 94                             |
| Durant, E. W. ....       | Minnesota .....            | 1875                                 |
| Duval, W. J. ....        | Kansas .....               | 1904, 06, 08, 10, 12, 14, 16, 18     |
| Dye, Robert M. ....      | Washington .....           | 1918, 20                             |
| Eames, C. O. ....        | Missouri .....             | 1904                                 |
| Easley, C. F. ....       | New Mexico....             | 1890, 92, 94, 96, 98, 1900, 08, 10   |
| Eastman, T. L. ....      | Alabama .....              | 1873                                 |
| Easton, W. F. ....       | Rhode Island .....         | 1874, 75                             |
| Ebert, E. A. ....        | North Carolina .....       | 1898, 1900, 01                       |
| Edens, William G. ....   | Illinois .....             | 1906, 08, 10, 12, 14, 16, 18, 20     |
| Edgcomb, C. H. ....      | West Virginia .....        | 1869, 70                             |
| Edmonds, J. F. ....      | South Dakota .....         | 1896, 98                             |
| Edwards, W. A. ....      | Virginia .....             | 1886                                 |
| Ellard, H. J. ....       | Indian Territory .....     | 1892, 94                             |
| Elder, Isaac L. ....     | Maine .....                | 1902, 04, 06                         |
| Ellenwood, L. W. ....    | Ohio .....                 | 1902, 04                             |
| Ellis, Edgar W. ....     | Ohio .....                 | 1916, 18                             |
| Ellis, Franklin .....    | Ohio .....                 | 1894                                 |
| Ellis, Henry E. ....     | Texas .....                | 1918, 20                             |
| Ellis, James B. ....     | Alabama .....              | 1906, 08                             |
| Ellis, W. H. ....        | Florida .....              | 1902, 04, 06                         |
| Elser, Max. ....         | Texas .....                | 1884, 86, 88, 90, 92                 |
| Eltz, Jr., Henry J. .... | Rhode Island .....         | 1920                                 |
| Elwell, John H. ....     | Washington .....           | 1916, 18                             |
| Enos, J. L. ....         | Iowa .....                 | 1871                                 |
| Erb, G. E. ....          | Idaho .....                | 1904, 06                             |
| Ernst, M. L. ....        | Alabama .....              | 1875                                 |
| Erwin, Will L. ....      | Louisiana .....            | 1916, 18, 20                         |
| Essex, Thomas. ....      | Arkansas .....             | 1884, 86, 88, 90, 92, 94             |
| Evans, J. E. ....        | British Columbia .....     | 1902, 04                             |
| Evans, J. G. ....        | Montana .....              | 1894, 96                             |
| Evans, J. M. ....        | Montana .....              | 1900, 02, 04, 06                     |
| Ewing, A. ....           | Texas .....                | 1874, 75, 76, 78                     |



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| Farington, E. C.        | Maine                | 1896, 98                                 |
| Farnsworth, L. H.       | Utah                 | 1892, 94, 96, 98, 1900, 01, 02           |
| Farrington, J. S.       | Massachusetts        | 1873, 74, 75                             |
| Ferguson, Alex. H.      | British Columbia     | 1912, 14                                 |
| Ferguson, Ward          | Iowa                 | 1914                                     |
| Ferris, Frank L.        | Iowa                 | 1916, 18                                 |
| Fethers, Ogden H.       | Wisconsin            | 1892, 94, 96, 98                         |
| Fewlass, George         | Kentucky             | 1872, 73, 88, 90                         |
| Fickas, B. A.           | Arizona              | 1886, 88, 96, 98                         |
| Field, F. A.            | Vermont              | 1898, 1900                               |
| Firestone, Leander      | Ohio                 | 1875, 76, 77, 78                         |
| Fisher, T. M.           | Colorado             | 1876, 77, 73                             |
| Fisk, Charles H.        | Michigan             | 1901, 02                                 |
| Fitzgerald, F. J.       | Ontario              | 1896, 98                                 |
| Flagg, Lysander         | Rhode Island         | 1871                                     |
| Fleming, Murray         | Maritime Provinces   | 1892, 94, 96                             |
| Fletcher, George M.     | Pennsylvania         | 1912, 14                                 |
| Flint, J. H.            | Massachusetts        | 1900, 02                                 |
| Foltz, W. E.            | Pennsylvania         | 1908, 10                                 |
| Forbes, John            | Washington           | 1914, 20                                 |
| Ford, Ernest A.         | Montana              | 1916, 18                                 |
| Foreman, T. N.          | Delaware             | 1896, 98                                 |
| Foss, Charles R.        | Idaho                | 1910, 12                                 |
| Fowler, J. D.           | Maritime Provinces   | 1898, 1900, 01                           |
| Fox, Charles D.         | Virginia             | 1918, 20                                 |
| Fox, Henry L.           | Tennessee            | 1914, 16                                 |
| Fox, J. A.              | Massachusetts        | 1890, 92                                 |
| Foxwell, G. J. L.       | District of Columbia | 1875, 76, 77, 78, 80, 82, 84, 86, 88, 90 |
| Francis, H. H.          | Indiana              | 1888, 90                                 |
| Franklin, T. S.         | North Carolina       | 1902, 04, 06, 08                         |
| Frazier, H. M.          | Kansas               | 1882, 84                                 |
| Frederick, Adolph       | Minnesota            | 1884                                     |
| French, E. E.           | Nebraska             | 1872, 73, 74, 75, 77, 78, 90             |
| French, William B.      | New Jersey           | 1869, 70, 71, 72, 73                     |
| Fried, Simon            | Mississippi          | 1890, 92, 1908, 10                       |
| Frink, J. A.            | Missouri             | 1898, 1900, 01, 02, 04                   |
| Frost, Charles A.       | New Hampshire        | 1920                                     |
| Fryers, Philip H.       | Maritime Provinces   | 1914, 16                                 |
| Fuller, William J.      | Connecticut          | 1906, 08, 10, 12                         |
| Gaither, John W.        | Indiana              | 1916, 18                                 |
| Gale, William B.        | Massachusetts        | 1877, 78, 80, 86, 88, 90, 94, 96, 98     |
| Gallagher, J. B.        | Montana              | 1898, 1900, 01, 02, 04, 06               |
| Ganter, Harry L.        | Maritime Provinces   | 1912, 14                                 |
| Garber, A. M.           | Alabama              | 1908, 10                                 |
| Gardenier, A. B.        | New York             | 1890, 92, 98, 1900, 02, 04, 06, 08       |
| Gardiner, F. W.         | Utah                 | 1902, 04                                 |
| Gardner, Alexander, Jr. | Michigan             | 1873                                     |
| Gardner, C. P.          | Wyoming              | 1892, 94                                 |
| Gardner, C. T.          | Rhode Island         | 1871, 72                                 |
| Gardner, S. M.          | Connecticut          | 1874, 75                                 |
| Gates, Charles A.       | Connecticut          | 1918, 20                                 |
| Geddes, George          | Ontario              | 1914, 16                                 |
| Gelwicks, T. R.         | Missouri             | 1886                                     |
| George, Alva H.         | Vermont              | 1902, 04                                 |
| Gerhard, William        | West Virginia        | 1869, 70, 71                             |
| Gerken, W. H.           | North Carolina       | 1875, 76, 77                             |
| Gifford, Edward A.      | New York             | 1914, 16                                 |

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| Gilchrist, W. H. ....        | Vermont .....              | 1896, 98                               |
| Gilman, Will A. ....         | Maine .....                | 1918, 20                               |
| Gillet, M. M. ....           | Wisconsin .....            | 1910, 12, 14                           |
| Gillson, George. ....        | Nevada .....               | 1875                                   |
| Gillum, W. H. ....           | Indiana .....              | 1882                                   |
| Gilmore, William G. ....     | Arizona .....              | 1916                                   |
| Glidden, D. F. ....          | Michigan .....             | 1888, 90                               |
| Goddard, S. H. ....          | Nevada .....               | 1875, 76, 77                           |
| Godsoe, F. A. ....           | Maritime Provinces .....   | 1904, 06                               |
| Goldsmith, William, Jr. .... | South Carolina .....       | 1902, 04                               |
| Good, H. W. ....             | New York .....             | 1868, 69, 70                           |
| Good, S. M. ....             | Iowa .....                 | 1872, 73                               |
| Goodhart, Richard. ....      | District of Columbia. .... | 1888, 90, 92, 94, 96                   |
| Goodrich, C. T. ....         | New York .....             | 1904, 06                               |
| Goodrich, W. J. ....         | Georgia .....              | 1871                                   |
| Goss, John Q. ....           | Nebraska .....             | 1869, 70, 71                           |
| Graham, E. A. ....           | Alabama .....              | 1886, 88, 90                           |
| Graham, R. H. ....           | Pennsylvania .....         | 1868, 69                               |
| Graves, W. C. ....           | California .....           | 1900, 02                               |
| Grant, Frank S. ....         | Oregon .....               | 1920                                   |
| Gray, G. W. W. ....          | Massachusetts .....        | 1869, 71                               |
| Grayson, J. B. ....          | Alabama .....              | 1882                                   |
| Green, John W. ....          | Iowa .....                 | 1882, 86                               |
| Greene, Wyer ....            | Maine .....                | 1888, 90                               |
| Greenman, H. D. ....         | Wisconsin .....            | 1873                                   |
| Griggs, George B. ....       | Texas .....                | 1910, 12, 14, 16                       |
| Griffin, W. H. ....          | Tennessee .....            | 1896, 98                               |
| Griffiths, G. W. ....        | Kentucky .....             | 1871, 76, 77                           |
| Grimmer, W. C. H. ....       | Maritime Provinces. ....   | 1896, 98, 1900, 01, 02                 |
| Grossman, William ....       | New York .....             | 1916, 18, 20                           |
| Guild, Clark J. ....         | Nevada .....               | 1920                                   |
| Gunning, A. J. ....          | District of Columbia. .... | 1878, 80                               |
| Guthrie, W. A. ....          | North Carolina .....       | 1872, 80                               |
| Gwinn, M. B. ....            | Idaho .....                | 1900, 02                               |
| Gwinn, James H. ....         | Oregon .....               | 1918, 20                               |
| Gyles, Herbert E. ....       | South Carolina .....       | 1920                                   |
| Gyselaar, J. H. ....         | California .....           | 1882, 84, 86                           |
| Hackett, John J. ....        | Rhode Island .....         | 1914, 16                               |
| Hackney, George L. ....      | North Carolina .....       | 1918                                   |
| Haines, E. T. ....           | Ohio .....                 | 1874, 75                               |
| Haines, W. B. ....           | Massachusetts .....        | 1869                                   |
| Hall, Cyrus W. ....          | West Virginia .....        | 1900, 01, 02, 08                       |
| Hall, Oliver ....            | Washington .....           | 1892, 94, 96, 98, 1900, 01, 02         |
| Hall, W. H. ....             | Virginia .....             | 1878                                   |
| Haley, John A. ....          | New Mexico .....           | 1910, 12                               |
| Halsey, L. W. ....           | Wisconsin .....            | 1876, 77                               |
| Hamilton, J. D. M. ....      | Iowa .....                 | 1888, 90                               |
| Hammar, Jeffrey ....         | British Columbia .....     | 1912                                   |
| Hammond, J. H. ....          | Montana .....              | 1908, 10                               |
| Handschy, F. F. ....         | Washington .....           | 1906, 08, 10                           |
| Hanes, T. J. ....            | Mississippi .....          | 1878, 80                               |
| Hanley, T. B. ....           | Iowa .....                 | 1898, 1900, 01, 02, 04                 |
| Hannaford, G. A. ....        | Idaho .....                | 1892                                   |
| Hanson, G. M. ....           | Maine .....                | 1898, 1900, 01, 02, 04, 06, 08         |
| Harber, E. M. ....           | Missouri .....             | 1894, 96, 1908, 10, 12, 14, 16, 18, 20 |
| Harmon, Horace W. ....       | New Hampshire .....        | 1896, 98                               |
| Harp, Reno S. ....           | Maryland .....             | 1908, 10, 12, 14, 16, 18, 20           |
| Harrell, E. G. ....          | North Carolina .....       | 1886                                   |

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| Harris, Albert       | Louisiana            | 1910, 12, 14, 16             |
| Harris, Charles E.   | Idaho                | 1918, 20                     |
| Hart, Elijah C.      | California           | 1912, 20                     |
| Hart, M. S.          | New Mexico           | 1896                         |
| Hart, William P.     | Indiana              | 1914, 16                     |
| Hartmon, H. C. G.    | Virginia             | 1868, 69, 70                 |
| Hastings, A. J.      | Massachusetts        | 1876                         |
| Harvey, E. W. B.     | Minnesota            | 1882                         |
| Hatfield, J. M.      | Indiana              | 1904, 06                     |
| Hawkes, George       | Pennsylvania         | 1878, 80, 82, 84, 86, 90, 92 |
| Hawkins, A. C.       | Indiana              | 1901, 02, 04                 |
| Hawkins, Victor      | Michigan             | 1914, 16, 18, 20             |
| Hawthorne, J. H.     | Missouri             | 1896                         |
| Hayes, J. P.         | Delaware             | 1872, 74                     |
| Hayhurst, W. F.      | New Jersey           | 1900, 01, 02, 04, 06         |
| Haynes, E. E.        | Tennessee            | 1904, 06                     |
| Hayt, F. W.          | Utah                 | 1890, 92, 94, 96             |
| Hayt, W. V.          | New Mexico           | 1886, 88                     |
| Hayward, W. A.       | New York             | 1868, 69, 70, 71             |
| Haywood, A. M.       | Georgia              | 1888, 90, 92, 94             |
| Hazelton, W. H.      | Indiana              | 1872, 73                     |
| Heather, P. B.       | New Mexico           | 1906, 08                     |
| Heinrichs, Henry A.  | New Jersey           | 1912, 14, 16, 18, 20         |
| Heiskell, W. L.      | Indiana              | 1892, 94                     |
| Heisley, G. W.       | District of Columbia | 1900, 01, 02                 |
| Heisser, J. H.       | Minnesota            | 1876                         |
| Heller, Frank J.     | Indiana              | 1920                         |
| Henry, Jouett        | Kentucky             | 1906, 08, 10, 12, 14, 16     |
| Henshall, J. A.      | Wisconsin            | 1871, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76     |
| Herdman, G. W.       | Illinois             | 1882, 84, 86, 88             |
| Herider, Daniel V.   | Missouri             | 1914, 16                     |
| Heritage, J. D.      | New Jersey           | 1875, 76                     |
| Herreid, Charles N.  | South Dakota         | 1914, 16, 18, 20             |
| Herriman, R. R.      | Massachusetts        | 1908, 10                     |
| Heselton, G. W.      | Maine                | 1890, 92                     |
| Heser, Frederick     | Kentucky             | 1874                         |
| Heywood, D. O.       | Colorado             | 1892                         |
| Hibben, E. H.        | Iowa                 | 1886, 88                     |
| Hilbert, Melancthon  | Iowa                 | 1892, 94                     |
| Hiller, F. B.        | Missouri             | 1908, 10, 12, 14, 16, 20     |
| Hilliard, William T. | New Jersey           | 1910                         |
| Hilscher, J. F.      | Minnesota            | 1896, 98                     |
| Hinsey, J. A.        | Wisconsin            | 1886, 88, 90, 92             |
| Hinson, C. W.        | New York             | 1902, 04, 06, 10             |
| Hirst, Edwin         | Delaware             | 1870, 71                     |
| Hitchcock, W. E.     | New Jersey           | 1900, 01, 02, 04             |
| Hobart, J. H.        | Texas                | 1878                         |
| Hochstedler, G. W.   | Oregon               | 1892, 94                     |
| Hockley, Robert      | Alberta              | 1908                         |
| Hodges, J. H.        | Florida              | 1896, 98                     |
| Hodgson, C. H.       | West Virginia        | 1871, 72                     |
| Hofer, T. R.         | Nevada               | 1896, 98                     |
| Hogan, E. R.         | Louisiana            | 1871, 72                     |
| Holland, D. J.       | Kansas               | 1886, 88                     |
| Holloway, J. Lee     | Alabama              | 1916, 18                     |
| Hollowell, N. L.     | Kansas               | 1898, 1900, 01, 02, 04       |
| Hollowell, W. T.     | North Carolina       | 1888, 90, 92                 |
| Holt, M. W. J.       | Oklahoma             | 1898, 1900, 01               |

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| Holtz, Max L.       | New York             | 1912, 14, 16, 18                       |
| Horton, E. A.       | Ontario              | 1906, 08                               |
| Hoskins, F. B.      | Wisconsin            | 1894, 1900, 01, 02, 04                 |
| Host, Z. M.         | Wisconsin            | 1904, 06, 08                           |
| Howard, D. E.       | New Hampshire        | 1874, 75, 76, 77                       |
| Howard, H. L.       | Rhode Island         | 1875, 76                               |
| Howell, Fred W.     | Wyoming              | 1916                                   |
| Hoyt, C. B.         | New Hampshire        | 1904, 06                               |
| Hoyt, Comfort L.    | North Dakota         | 1910, 12, 14, 16                       |
| Hubert, Fred. B.    | Ontario              | 1916                                   |
| Hubert, N. M.       | Massachusetts        | 1872                                   |
| Huff, R. B.         | Iowa                 | 1890, 92, 94, 96                       |
| Huggard, J. T.      | Manitoba             | 1898, 1900, 01, 02, 04, 08, 10         |
| Hughes, H. C.       | South Carolina       | 1892, 94, 1900, 01, 14                 |
| Hull, George S.     | Connecticut          | 1896, 98                               |
| Hume, W. T.         | Oregon               | 1890, 92                               |
| Hummel, N. A.       | Nevada               | 1898, 1900, 01                         |
| Hundley, O. R.      | Alabama              | 1892                                   |
| Hunnicutt, J. M.    | Georgia              | 1890, 92                               |
| Hunt, L. P.         | Minnesota            | 1894, 96                               |
| Hunt, Union B.      | Indiana              | 1901, 02, 04, 06, 08                   |
| Hunter, James W.    | Iowa                 | 1916, 18, 20                           |
| Hunter, Seldon      | Maritime Provinces   | 1916, 18                               |
| Hurlburt, A. H.     | Connecticut          | 1878, 80                               |
| Hutchins, John C.   | New Hampshire        | 1910                                   |
| Hutchison, James W. | Pennsylvania         | 1916, 18, 20                           |
| Ingersoll, R. H.    | Maine                | 1873                                   |
| Innes, R. B.        | Ohio                 | 1872, 73                               |
| Irvine, William     | British Columbia     | 1910                                   |
| Irwin, James        | New York             | 1872, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 80, 82       |
| Israel, J. A.       | Colorado             | 1888, 90, 94, 96                       |
| Jackson, R. H.      | Pennsylvania         | 1898, 1900, 01, 02, 04, 06, 08, 10, 12 |
| Jacobs, L. Erwin    | Connecticut          | 1912, 14                               |
| James, Charles D.   | Arkansas             | 1912, 14                               |
| James, F. E.        | Utah                 | 1888                                   |
| James, W. E.        | South Carolina       | 1894, 96                               |
| Jameson, Allen      | Colorado             | 1894, 96, 98                           |
| Jamison, J. W.      | Iowa                 | 1873, 74                               |
| Jarvis, W. H.       | Alabama              | 1873                                   |
| Jefferies, W. J.    | Delaware             | 1880, 82                               |
| Jenkins, Maner      | West Virginia        | 1876, 77, 82, 84                       |
| Jennings, C. P.     | Utah                 | 1908, 10                               |
| Jett, G. W.         | Oregon               | 1894, 96                               |
| Johnson, George     | British Columbia     | 1908, 10                               |
| Johnson, Henry P.   | Utah                 | 1910, 12                               |
| Jolls, Joseph C.    | Delaware             | 1906, 08, 10, 12                       |
| Jones, B. Clay      | Alabama              | 1914, 16                               |
| Jones, A. D.        | Nebraska             | 1871                                   |
| Jones, H. C.        | Indiana              | 1871                                   |
| Jones, Thomas R.    | Idaho                | 1920                                   |
| Jones, W. D.        | Nevada               | 1904, 06, 10, 12                       |
| Joslin, T. Brooke   | New Jersey           | 1868, 69, 70, 71                       |
| Kahlert, Albert     | District of Columbia | 1914, 16, 18, 20                       |
| Kelsey, Leroy H.    | Missouri             | 1918, 20                               |
| Kendall, G. C.      | Mississippi          | 1910, 12, 14, 16, 18, 20               |
| Kendall, G. F.      | Connecticut          | 1904, 06, 08, 10                       |
| Kennedy, William B. | Ohio                 | 1869, 70, 71, 72, 78, 80               |
| Kennedy, William D. | Ontario              | 1872, 73, 74                           |



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| Kerns, Arthur E.      | Ohio                 | 1914, 16, 18, 20                                           |
| Kerr, David           | California           | 1869, 70                                                   |
| Kester, John W.       | Illinois             | 1869, 70, 71                                               |
| Kilbourn, C. W.       | New Jersey           | 1896, 98                                                   |
| Kildow, James N.      | Nebraska             | 1914, 16                                                   |
| Kimball, Clement F.   | Iowa                 | 1920                                                       |
| Kimball, O. F.        | New Hampshire        | 1892, 94                                                   |
| King, C. C.           | Delaware             | 1868, 69, 70, 71, 78                                       |
| King, G. J. D.        | Nevada               | 1894, 96                                                   |
| King, John S.         | Ontario              | 1877, 78, 80, 82, 84, 90, 94                               |
| King, John T.         | Arkansas             | 1890, 92                                                   |
| King, Sherman G.      | Idaho                | 1914, 16                                                   |
| King, Vincent M.      | Connecticut          | 1916, 20                                                   |
| King, William W.      | Texas                | 1912, 14                                                   |
| Kline, H. O.          | Pennsylvania         | 1886, 90, 92, 94, 96, 98, 1904, 96, 08, 10, 12, 14, 18, 20 |
| Kline, J. M.          | District of Columbia | 1898, 1900, 01                                             |
| Knight, Harlan P.     | Massachusetts        | 1920                                                       |
| Knowles, W. W.        | Delaware             | 1908, 10, 12, 14                                           |
| Kolb, Otto            | Indiana              | 1904, 06                                                   |
| Kranz, F. W.          | Maryland             | 1894                                                       |
| Kronheimer, Henry     | District of Columbia | 1873, 74                                                   |
| Kuchenbecker, W. F.   | New Mexico           | 1901, 02                                                   |
| Kuehnle, C. F.        | Iowa                 | 1896, 98, 1900, 01, 02, 04, 06                             |
| Kuhn, Franz C.        | Michigan             | 1916, 18                                                   |
| Kuhn, M. E.           | Ohio                 | 1882                                                       |
| Kutchin, H. M.        | Wisconsin            | 1882, 84                                                   |
| Lacey, H. B.          | Mississippi          | 1888, 90                                                   |
| Lacy, John A.         | Missouri             | 1882, 84, 86                                               |
| Ladew, William        | New York             | 1896, 98, 1900, 02, 04, 06, 08, 10, 12, 14, 16, 18         |
| LaFollette, D. W.     | Indiana              | 1878, 80                                                   |
| LaHache, Theodore     | Texas                | 1890, 92, 94, 96, 98, 1900, 01, 02                         |
| LaHay, J. M.          | Indiana Territory    | 1900, 01, 02                                               |
| Laidlaw, James        | Kansas               | 1878                                                       |
| Lake, C. W.           | Colorado             | 1892                                                       |
| Lang, C. M.           | New Hampshire        | 1882, 84                                                   |
| Lang, F. A.           | West Virginia        | 1898, 1900, 01                                             |
| Langley, William H.   | Rhode Island         | 1914, 16, 18                                               |
| Langston, John H.     | Arizona              | 1912, 14                                                   |
| LaRose, W. L.         | California           | 1873                                                       |
| Latham, Hugh          | Virginia             | 1869, 70, 73                                               |
| Laughton, C. E.       | Nevada               | 1876, 77, 80                                               |
| Laughton, F. M.       | Maine                | 1873, 74, 75                                               |
| Leach, Erie J.        | Iowa                 | 1871, 74                                                   |
| Leahy, T. J.          | Oklahoma             | 1902, 04                                                   |
| Leatherwood, Elmer O. | Utah                 | 1914, 16                                                   |
| Lee, Charles A.       | Rhode Island         | 1877, 78, 80, 82, 84, 86, 88, 90, 92, 94, 96, 98           |
| Lee, William H.       | Massachusetts        | 1882, 84                                                   |
| Leeson, J. J.         | New Mexico           | 1894                                                       |
| Leete, J. R.          | Connecticut          | 1869, 70                                                   |
| Lemmerman, Henry      | New York             | 1884, 86, 88, 90                                           |
| Levy, A. G.           | New York             | 1868, 69, 70, 71                                           |
| Lewis, H. W.          | Ohio                 | 1896                                                       |
| Lewis, J. B.          | Washington           | 1884, 86                                                   |
| Lewis, J. F.          | Maryland             | 1872, 73, 74                                               |
| Lewis, John M.        | Indiana              | 1916, 18, 20                                               |

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| Lewis, Samuel G.        | Vermont              | 1906                                     |
| Leyda, Wilber S.        | Nebraska             | 1912, 14, 16, 18                         |
| Libbey, J. T. S.        | New Hampshire        | 1871, 73, 74, 75, 76                     |
| Lightcap, E. E.         | Manitoba             | 1898, 1900, 01, 02                       |
| Linde, C. F.            | Pennsylvania         | 1900, 01, 02, 04, 06                     |
| Lindenberg, Henry       | Ohio                 | 1869, 70, 71, 73, 74                     |
| Lindsay, G. W.          | Maryland             | 1875, 76, 77, 78                         |
| Linebaugh, D. H.        | Oklahoma             | 1908, 10, 12                             |
| Linton, John P.         | Pennsylvania         | 1870, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 80 |
| Little, Charles D.      | Michigan             | 1878, 80                                 |
| Lloyd, Henry C.         | Kentucky             | 1869, 70, 71, 80                         |
| Loftin, Scott M.        | Florida              | 1918, 20                                 |
| Lomax, Tennent          | Alabama              | 1898, 1900, 01                           |
| London, A. T.           | North Carolina       | 1872, 73                                 |
| Long, H. W.             | New Jersey           | 1884, 86, 88                             |
| Long, W. J.             | Michigan             | 1873, 74, 75, 76                         |
| Loomis, W. H.           | Michigan             | 1896, 98                                 |
| Lord, John              | Georgia              | 1876, 77                                 |
| Loucks, Robert G.       | California           | 1920                                     |
| Love, G. J.             | Dakota               | 1888                                     |
| Love, G. J.             | South Dakota         | 1890                                     |
| Lovell, H. R.           | Michigan             | 1886, 88                                 |
| Lowe, Arthur J.         | Indiana              | 1912, 14                                 |
| Lowe, Samuel A.         | Missouri             | 1877, 78                                 |
| Lowry, Philip, Jr.      | Pennsylvania         | 1870, 71                                 |
| Lowry, Sumter L.        | Florida              | 1910, 12, 14, 16, 18                     |
| Lucas, Charles D.       | Missouri             | 1873, 74, 75, 76                         |
| Ludwig, B. F.           | Alabama              | 1875, 76, 77, 82, 84                     |
| Lull, Frank W.          | Alabama              | 1916                                     |
| Lumpkin, Alvah M.       | South Carolina       | 1918, 20                                 |
| Lusk, G. L.             | Michigan             | 1904, 06, 08, 10                         |
| Lydick, J. D.           | Oklahoma             | 1906, 08                                 |
| Lynch, Lewis C.         | Florida              | 1916                                     |
| Lyon, David J.          | Illinois             | 1876, 77, 78, 80                         |
| Lyon, J. H.             | Kansas               | 1882, 84, 86, 88, 90, 1902               |
| Lytle, D. S.            | Indian Territory     | 1890                                     |
| Lytle, Howard           | Louisiana            | 1912, 14                                 |
| Macdonald, William A.   | Vermont              | 1918, 20                                 |
| Macdonald, W. C.        | Ontario              | 1908, 10, 18                             |
| Macfarland, J. M.       | Nebraska             | 1892                                     |
| MacGregor, Clarence     | New York             | 1920                                     |
| Macintyre, Alexander L. | Manitoba             | 1918, 20                                 |
| Mack, C. A.             | Michigan             | 1884, 86                                 |
| Mackey, Will U.         | Nevada               | 1916, 18                                 |
| Manahan, Charles S.     | Wyoming              | 1910, 12                                 |
| Manley, Thomas H.       | Ontario              | 1918                                     |
| Manlove, G. G.          | Mississippi          | 1880, 82                                 |
| Manning, M. J.          | Arkansas             | 1896, 98, 1902, 04                       |
| Maroney, C. P.          | Delaware             | 1884, 86, 88, 90                         |
| Marshall, Martin        | Mississippi          | 1888                                     |
| Marshall, W. S.         | Colorado             | 1877, 78                                 |
| Martin, F. J.           | New York             | 1908, 10, 12, 14                         |
| Martin, J. S.           | District of Columbia | 1872                                     |
| Martindale, M. G.       | Washington           | 1904, 06, 10, 12, 14                     |
| Martsof, F. C.          | New Mexico           | 1892                                     |
| Mason, S. R.            | Maryland             | 1890, 92                                 |
| Mather, J. W.           | West Virginia        | 1892, 94                                 |

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| Mathews, T. B.        | Kentucky             | 1898, 1900, 01, 02, 04, 06, 08, 10, 12 |
| Mavity, J. W.         | Kentucky             | 1877, 78                               |
| Maxwell, F. G.        | Maryland             | 1880, 82, 84, 86                       |
| Maxwell, J. H.        | Maine                | 1908, 10, 12, 14, 16, 18, 20           |
| Maybury, R. H.        | Missouri             | 1888, 90, 92, 94                       |
| Meacham, A. J.        | Minnesota            | 1875                                   |
| Mead, William C.      | California           | 1869, 70, 71                           |
| Meares, T. D.         | North Carolina       | 1892, 94, 96                           |
| Meder, J. P.          | Nevada               | 1890                                   |
| Medford, A. F.        | District of Columbia | 1892, 94                               |
| Meech, J. H.          | New York             | 1876, 77                               |
| Meid, Louis N.        | Utah                 | 1920                                   |
| Meissel, William      | Maryland             | 1894, 96                               |
| Mendelson, Benjamin   | Louisiana            | 1918, 20                               |
| Mercer, W. G.         | Iowa                 | 1896                                   |
| Merrill, Horace P.    | Arizona              | 1920                                   |
| Merrill, Samuel       | North Carolina       | 1875, 76, 78                           |
| Merry, B. G.          | Minnesota            | 1886, 90, 92                           |
| Merstetter, F. S.     | Kansas               | 1890, 92, 94, 96                       |
| Meyer, August         | Nebraska             | 1880                                   |
| Meyers, Aaron         | Arkansas             | 1894, 96                               |
| Middleton, William    | Manitoba             | 1920                                   |
| Milam, Charles M.     | Georgia              | 1914, 16, 18, 20                       |
| Milan, T. W.          | Arkansas             | 1900, 01, 02                           |
| Milham, E. H.         | Minnesota            | 1898, 1900, 01                         |
| Miller, Charles N.    | Kansas               | 1912, 14                               |
| Miller, H. D.         | Massachusetts        | 1869, 71                               |
| Miller, Joseph        | New Jersey           | 1888, 90                               |
| Milliken, J. W.       | Maine                | 1876                                   |
| Mills, S. S.          | Maryland             | 1876, 77                               |
| Mitchell, G. H.       | Ontario              | 1875, 76, 77, 78, 80, 82, 84, 86, 92   |
| Mitchell, Thomas W.   | Connecticut          | 1914, 16                               |
| Monell, J. J., Jr.    | Nebraska             | 1876, 77, 78, 80, 82, 84               |
| Monmonier, William D. | Arizona              | 1918                                   |
| Monyhan, Jonce        | Indiana              | 1912, 14                               |
| Moon, J. E.           | New Jersey           | 1892, 94                               |
| Moore, Benjamin       | Pennsylvania         | 1918, 20                               |
| Moore, W. E.          | New Hampshire        | 1880                                   |
| Morgan, B. A.         | South Carolina       | 1908, 10, 12, 14, 16, 18               |
| Morgan, H. W.         | Tennessee            | 1888                                   |
| Morris, B. W.         | Kentucky             | 1884, 86                               |
| Morris, J. M.         | Colorado             | 1886, 88, 90                           |
| Morris, L. V. G.      | West Virginia        | 1908, 10, 12                           |
| Morrison, A. Sterling | Quebec               | 1918, 20                               |
| Morrison, G. H.       | Nevada               | 1882, 84, 86, 88                       |
| Morrison, H. H.       | Indiana              | 1875, 76                               |
| Morrison, John        | Nebraska             | 1890                                   |
| Morrison, W. C.       | Ontario              | 1875                                   |
| Morrow, J. B.         | Indian Territory     | 1906                                   |
| Morrow, J. M.         | Wisconsin            | 1884, 86                               |
| Morse, E. I.          | Missouri             | 1904, 06, 08                           |
| Morten, H. T.         | Kentucky             | 1869, 70                               |
| Moser, Gus            | Oregon               | 1914, 16                               |
| Moses, Altamont       | South Carolina       | 1896                                   |
| Moulson, James        | Maritime Provinces   | 1886, 88, 90, 92, 94                   |
| Moyston, W. H.        | Tennessee            | 1873, 74                               |
| Muir, James A.        | Michigan             | 1920                                   |
| Mulcahy, P. H.        | Nevada               | 1878, 80                               |

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| Mullan, Thomas, Jr.   | Delaware             | 1900, 01, 02, 04                       |
| Murphy, Bernard       | Iowa                 | 1908, 10, 12, 14, 16                   |
| Mustard, A. C.        | South Carolina       | 1886, 88, 90                           |
| Myers, C. D.          | Illinois             | 1896, 98, 1900, 01, 02, 04, 06         |
| Myers, Frank K.       | South Carolina       | 1918                                   |
| McArthur, Fred J. G.  | Manitoba             | 1910, 12, 14, 16, 18                   |
| McBryde, W. A.        | Alabama              | 1877, 78, 84, 86                       |
| McCardle, J. W.       | Indiana              | 1906                                   |
| McClure, David        | California           | 1878, 80                               |
| McConnell, R. H.      | Ontario              | 1898, 1900, 01                         |
| McCoy, Joseph N.      | Iowa                 | 1918, 20                               |
| McCreary, Marcellus   | New Mexico           | 1920                                   |
| McCroskey, Robert C.  | Washington           | 1914, 16                               |
| McCuish, R. George    | Saskatchewan         | 1918, 20                               |
| McCullagh, T. R.      | Florida              | 1886, 94                               |
| McCullough, W. H.     | New Jersey           | 1900, 01, 02                           |
| McDonald, F. S.       | Minnesota            | 1888, 90, 92, 94                       |
| McGlashan, C. F.      | California           | 1898, 1908, 10                         |
| McHatton, C. K.       | Colorado             | 1884, 86                               |
| McKellar, P. D.       | Ontario              | 1894, 96                               |
| McKinley, F. W.       | New Hampshire        | 1884, 86                               |
| McLean, J. A.         | Quebec               | 1908, 10                               |
| McLean, W. C.         | Mississippi          | 1882, 84                               |
| McMillan, M. C.       | Nevada               | 1890, 92                               |
| McMillen, Maxwell B.  | Rhode Island         | 1918, 20                               |
| MacMillan, William F. | New York             | 1918                                   |
| McMullen, D. P.       | Michigan             | 1900, 01                               |
| McMullen, J. J.       | Delaware             | 1872, 73, 75, 76                       |
| McWhinney, A. G.      | Ontario              | 1902, 04                               |
| McWhirr, Robert       | Connecticut          | 1882, 84                               |
| Narvis, W. M.         | Iowa                 | 1898                                   |
| Neal, C. F. S.        | Indiana              | 1898, 1900                             |
| Needham, J. B.        | Vermont              | 1896                                   |
| Nelson, C. F.         | British Columbia     | 1906, 08                               |
| Nelson, Halvor        | District of Columbia | 1882, 84, 86                           |
| Neuffer, G. A.        | South Carolina       | 1901, 02                               |
| Newbury, John E.      | Arizona              | 1920                                   |
| Newell, Bob           | Arkansas             | 1882, 84, 86                           |
| Newlin, J. W.         | New Jersey           | 1868, 69, 70                           |
| Nicholls, R. W.       | Arkansas             | 1898, 1900, 01                         |
| Nichols, C. B.        | New Hampshire        | 1888                                   |
| Nichols, Charles W.   | Michigan             | 1914, 16, 18                           |
| Nichols, Franklin P.  | Alabama              | 1910, 12                               |
| Nichols, W. M.        | Kentucky             | 1869, 70, 71                           |
| Nicholson, A. S.      | Washington           | 1888                                   |
| Nickerson, Thos. H.   | Georgia              | 1910, 12                               |
| Norberg, Gus          | Nebraska             | 1901, 08, 10                           |
| Norton, L. F.         | Connecticut          | 1900, 01, 02, 04                       |
| Nott, J. C.           | New York             | 1882, 84, 86, 88                       |
| Nuzum, Sam R.         | West Virginia        | 1920                                   |
| O'Connor, Edward S.   | New York             | 1920                                   |
| O'Daniel, J. P.       | Virginia             | 1868, 69, 70                           |
| O'Neal, W. R.         | Florida              | 1898, 1900, 01, 08, 10, 12, 14         |
| O'Neill, Richard      | Nebraska             | 1892, 94, 96, 98, 1900, 01, 02, 04, 06 |
| Oliver, Turner        | Oregon               | 1900, 01, 02                           |
| Onion, John F.        | Texas                | 1906, 08, 10, 12, 16, 18               |
| Otterson, O. C.       | Idaho                | 1896, 98                               |
| Otwell, George H.     | Delaware             | 1920                                   |



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| Ovington, T. R.      | Colorado           | 1908, 10                                                          |
| Owen, B. H.          | Tennessee          | 1878, 80, 82, 84                                                  |
| Owen, William A.     | Tennessee          | 1906, 08, 10, 12                                                  |
| Oyler, S. P.         | Indiana            | 1874, 75, 76, 77, 86, 88                                          |
| Page, D. C.          | Michigan           | 1896, 98                                                          |
| Palmer, C. A.        | Michigan           | 1908, 10, 12                                                      |
| Palmer, George E.    | Montana            | 1912, 14                                                          |
| Palmer, H. L.        | Wisconsin          | 1871, 72                                                          |
| Pappe, Julius.       | Iowa               | 1884                                                              |
| Park, W. A.          | Iowa               | 1896                                                              |
| Parker, J. M. G.     | Louisiana          | 1871                                                              |
| Parks, R. G.         | Washington         | 1890                                                              |
| Paterson, William W. | Wyoming            | 1914, 16                                                          |
| Patrick, C. M.       | South Carolina     | 1888, 90, 92                                                      |
| Patterson, Andrew G. | Alabama            | 1918, 20                                                          |
| Peabody, H. C.       | Maine              | 1880, 82, 84                                                      |
| Peace, D. J.         | Ontario            | 1892, 1900, 01, 02, 04, 06                                        |
| Peel, W. S.          | Maritime Provinces | 1908, 10                                                          |
| Penniman, Geo. W.    | Massachusetts      | 1912, 14, 16, 18                                                  |
| Penniman, Thomas     | California         | 1872, 76, 77                                                      |
| Perdue, Graham       | Alabama            | 1920                                                              |
| Perkins, M. A.       | New Hampshire      | 1871, 72                                                          |
| Perry, C. E.         | New Mexico         | 1898                                                              |
| Perry, J. C.         | Arizona            | 1898                                                              |
| Perry, Thomas        | Pennsylvania       | 1894, 96, 98, 1900, 01                                            |
| Philbrook, Warren C. | Maine              | 1916                                                              |
| Phillips, A. C.      | South Dakota       | 1892                                                              |
| Phillips, F. E.      | Rhode Island       | 1900, 01, 02, 04, 06, 08, 10, 12                                  |
| Pickett, C. E.       | Iowa               | 1898, 1900, 01                                                    |
| Pierman, Daniel J.   | New Jersey         | 1868                                                              |
| Pierson, J. H.       | New Jersey         | 1872, 73, 74                                                      |
| Pinkham, A. T.       | New Hampshire      | 1886, 88                                                          |
| Pixlee, Richard O.   | Missouri           | 1918                                                              |
| Platt, J. E.         | South Dakota       | 1904, 06, 08, 10                                                  |
| Plummer, Edward C.   | Maine              | 1910, 12, 14, 16, 18, 20                                          |
| Plunkett, J. D.      | Connecticut        | 1872, 73                                                          |
| Pollard, Oleander H. | Kentucky           | 1914, 16, 18, 20                                                  |
| Pope, F. A.          | Colorado           | 1876                                                              |
| Porter, T. J.        | Montana            | 1908                                                              |
| Porter, William A.   | Pennsylvania       | 1868, 69                                                          |
| Porterfield, F. W.   | Iowa               | 1906, 08, 10, 12, 14, 16                                          |
| Posten, S. A.        | West Virginia      | 1902, 04                                                          |
| Potterf, H. C.       | Indian Territory   | 1898, 1900, 01                                                    |
| Powell, G. W.        | Indiana            | 1908, 10                                                          |
| Powers, E. Allison   | Quebec             | 1906, 08, 12, 14                                                  |
| Powning, C. C.       | Nevada             | 1884, 86, 88                                                      |
| Pratt, G. W.         | Wisconsin          | 1890                                                              |
| Prescott, G. F.      | Utah               | 1884, 86                                                          |
| Preshaw, S. M.       | Utah               | 1886                                                              |
| Price, J. M.         | Kansas             | 1880                                                              |
| Priest, Frank A.     | Indiana            | 1920                                                              |
| Pryor, J. W.         | Kentucky           | 1894, 96                                                          |
| Putnam, Arthur L.    | Wyoming            | 1920                                                              |
| Quick, William D.    | New Jersey         | 1916, 18, 20                                                      |
| Quinby, W. C.        | Kentucky           | 1904, 06                                                          |
| Race, Eugene C.      | Illinois           | 1880, 82, 84, 86, 88, 90, 92, 94, 96,<br>98, 1900, 01, 02, 04, 06 |
| Radcliffe, W. A.     | Missouri           | 1888, 90, 92                                                      |

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| Rammers, Adolph.....       | Kentucky .....           | 1872, 73                                           |
| Randolph, Samuel N.....    | Utah .....               | 1918, 20                                           |
| Rattray, A. J.....         | Ontario .....            | 1888, 90                                           |
| Read, Alvan E.....         | Louisiana .....          | 1896, 98                                           |
| Ready, Wesley M.....       | Kansas .....             | 1914, 16                                           |
| Reed, James A.....         | Missouri .....           | 1898, 1900, 01, 06, 08                             |
| Reed, John A.....          | Maryland .....           | 1870                                               |
| Reed, N. K.....            | South Carolina .....     | 1875                                               |
| Reese, David P.....        | Pennsylvania .....       | 1916, 18                                           |
| Reeve, John J.....         | Illinois .....           | 1920                                               |
| Reeves, J. G.....          | Ohio .....               | 1894, 96, 98, 1900, 01                             |
| Rembert, Arthur G.....     | South Carolina .....     | 1914, 1916                                         |
| Remy, Charles F.....       | Indiana .....            | 1918, 20                                           |
| Renner, F.....             | Nebraska .....           | 1876                                               |
| Reynolds, E. C.....        | Maine .....              | 1900, 01, 02, 04, 06, 08, 10, 12                   |
| Reynolds, G. A.....        | Michigan .....           | 1896                                               |
| Rice, E. B.....            | Delaware .....           | 1874, 75, 76, 77                                   |
| Rice, H. W.....            | Illinois .....           | 1874, 75                                           |
| Richards, R. R.....        | Georgia .....            | 1878, 80, 82, 84                                   |
| Richardson, D. C.....      | Virginia .....           | 1896, 98, 1900, 01, 02, 04, 06, 08, 10, 12, 14, 16 |
| Richardson, J. Edward..... | Maryland .....           | 1912, 14, 16, 18, 20                               |
| Richie, Walter B.....      | Ohio .....               | 1886, 88, 90, 92                                   |
| Richmond, John.....        | Ontario .....            | 1872, 73                                           |
| Rickards, J. E.....        | Montana .....            | 1890                                               |
| Rickert, R. H.....         | North Carolina .....     | 1904, 06                                           |
| Riddle, A. P.....          | Kansas .....             | 1894, 96, 98                                       |
| Riggs, J. M.....           | Alabama .....            | 1904                                               |
| Riles, R. J.....           | Florida.....             | 1900, 01, 02                                       |
| Ritchie, George E.....     | Maritime Provinces ..... | 1920                                               |
| Ritter, Charles L.....     | Illinois .....           | 1916                                               |
| Rively, Benjamin E.....    | Kansas .....             | 1916, 18                                           |
| Roberts, Augustus.....     | North Dakota .....       | 1901                                               |
| Roberts, L. B.....         | Maine .....              | 1894, 96                                           |
| Robertson, James.....      | Minnesota .....          | 1910, 12                                           |
| Robertson, J. T.....       | New York .....           | 1894, 96                                           |
| Robertson, W. P.....       | Tennessee .....          | 1877                                               |
| Robinson, Fred M.....      | Maine .....              | 1914                                               |
| Robinson, Wm. F.....       | Colorado .....           | 1912, 14                                           |
| Rockwell, J. E.....        | Virginia .....           | 1877, 84                                           |
| Rodgers, E. H.....         | South Carolina .....     | 1875                                               |
| Roff, C. T.....            | Texas .....              | 1886, 88, 96, 10                                   |
| Roff, N. W.....            | Nevada .....             | 1906                                               |
| Rogers, B. S.....          | Texas .....              | 1904, 08                                           |
| Rogers, C. K.....          | South Carolina .....     | 1886                                               |
| Rogers, M. R.....          | Georgia .....            | 1875, 82, 84                                       |
| Rollins, Frank E.....      | New Hampshire .....      | 1880, 82                                           |
| Ronald, W. G.....          | Washington .....         | 1898, 1900, 01                                     |
| Root, J. W.....            | New York .....           | 1872, 73, 74, 75                                   |
| Rose, C. H.....            | Ontario .....            | 1876                                               |
| Rubey, Thomas L.....       | Missouri .....           | 1910, 12                                           |
| Russe, J. H.....           | Indiana .....            | 1894, 96                                           |
| Russell, C. L.....         | Ohio .....               | 1869, 70                                           |
| Russell, W. H. H.....      | Missouri .....           | 1872, 73, 74, 75                                   |
| Rutan, J. R.....           | New Jersey .....         | 1890, 92, 94, 96                                   |
| Sadler, W. G.....          | Tennessee .....          | 1892, 94, 1900, 01                                 |
| Salinger, B. I.....        | Iowa .....               | 1902, 04, 06, 08, 10, 12, 20                       |
| Salisbury, S. H.....       | New York .....           | 1896, 98                                           |

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| Samford, Thomas D. ....    | Alabama          | 1912, 14                                   |
| Sample, Thomas G. ....     | Pennsylvania     | 1882, 84, 86, 90, 92, 94                   |
| Samuels, George ....       | California       | 1902, 04, 06, 08, 16, 18                   |
| Sanford, H. S. ....        | Michigan         | 1877, 78, 80, 82                           |
| Sargent, Bradley V. ....   | California       | 1910, 12                                   |
| Sarles, J. P. ....         | Kentucky         | 1875                                       |
| Sauer, H. C. A. ....       | New York         | 1878, 80                                   |
| Savidge, Clark V. ....     | Washington       | 1916                                       |
| Sayre, B. F. ....          | West Virginia    | 1906, 08                                   |
| Schmitt, W. A. ....        | Illinois         | 1890, 92, 94, 96                           |
| Schnitger, W. R. ....      | Wyoming          | 1896, 98, 1900, 01, 02, 04, 06, 08, 10, 12 |
| Schoberth, Harry A. ....   | Kentucky         | 1916, 18, 20                               |
| Schreiber, Francis F. .... | Colorado         | 1918, 20                                   |
| Schroeder, Joseph ....     | Wisconsin        | 1908, 10, 12, 14, 16, 18, 20               |
| Schuchardt, William ....   | Ohio             | 1918, 20                                   |
| Schuerman, G. H. ....      | Arizona          | 1900, 02                                   |
| Schuerman, W. F. ....      | Kentucky         | 1908, 10, 12, 14                           |
| Schuster, B. J. ....       | Alabama          | 1896, 98                                   |
| Schwartz, J. A. ....       | Maryland         | 1900, 01, 02                               |
| Scism, W. L. ....          | Nebraska         | 1894, 96, 98, 1900                         |
| Scott, C. S. ....          | Idaho            | 1892, 94                                   |
| Scott, E. W. ....          | Pennsylvania     | 1878                                       |
| Scott, J. H. ....          | Delaware         | 1900, 01, 02, 04, 06                       |
| Scott, J. L., Jr. ....     | North Carolina   | 1908, 10, 12, 14, 16, 18                   |
| Scott, Tully ....          | Kansas           | 1896, 98, 1900, 01                         |
| Seavey, J. F. ....         | New Hampshire    | 1877, 78                                   |
| Seay, George E. ....       | Tennessee        | 1886, 88, 90, 94                           |
| Secrist, F. P. ....        | Arizona          | 1894, 96                                   |
| Sessions, Will A. ....     | Mississippi      | 1914                                       |
| Shaber, William R. ....    | Nevada           | 1914                                       |
| Shanafelt, J. E. ....      | Oklahoma         | 1904, 06                                   |
| Shane, A. T. ....          | Idaho            | 1908, 10                                   |
| Shanley, Bernard ....      | West Virginia    | 1886, 88                                   |
| Shanley, P. Frank. ....    | New Jersey       | 1906, 08, 10, 12, 14                       |
| Sharpe, Albert E. ....     | Michigan         | 1920                                       |
| Sharon, E. E. ....         | Oregon           | 1898, 1900, 01                             |
| Shaw, George B. ....       | Wisconsin        | 1878, 80, 88                               |
| Shepherd, Samuel. ....     | Delaware         | 1868, 69                                   |
| Shepherd, J. H. ....       | Louisiana        | 1888, 90, 92, 94                           |
| Shideler, D. B. ....       | Indiana          | 1900, 01, 02                               |
| Shiveley, C. E. ....       | Indiana          | 1890, 92, 96, 98, 1900, 01, 02             |
| Shropshire, J. S. ....     | Nebraska         | 1882, 84, 86, 88                           |
| Shumate, J. F. ....        | Ohio             | 1884                                       |
| Siebk, Christian ....      | West Virginia    | 1873, 74                                   |
| Siman, Harry E. ....       | Nebraska         | 1920                                       |
| Simmons, William ....      | Delaware         | 1886, 88, 90, 92, 94, 96, 98               |
| Simms, C. C. ....          | South Carolina   | 1896, 98                                   |
| Simpson, G. L. ....        | Virginia         | 1876, 77                                   |
| Simpson, Theodore V. ....  | Delaware         | 1918, 20                                   |
| Sines, G. W. ....          | Arizona          | 1890, 92                                   |
| Siver, E. L. ....          | Indiana          | 1896, 98                                   |
| Slade, Robert L. ....      | Kentucky         | 1918                                       |
| Smith, A. J. ....          | Connecticut      | 1890, 94, 96, 98                           |
| Smith, Bertram C. ....     | New Hampshire    | 1918                                       |
| Smith, Dana Z. ....        | Massachusetts    | 1884, 86, 88                               |
| Smith, Frank. ....         | Indian Territory | 1902, 04                                   |
| Smith, F. C. ....          | Illinois         | 1908, 10                                   |
| Smith, F. H. ....          | West Virginia    | 1890, 92                                   |

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| Smith, John F.      | West Virginia        | 1872, 73, 80, 82       |
| Smith, J. Rufus.    | West Virginia        | 1875, 76, 78, 80       |
| Smith, Martin D.    | Washington           | 1912                   |
| Smith, Mendel L.    | South Carolina       | 1910, 12, 16           |
| Smith, Thomas M.    | Arizona              | 1918                   |
| Smoot, C. W.        | West Virginia        | 1874, 75               |
| Smythe, A. T.       | South Carolina       | 1872, 73               |
| Snyder, L. C.       | Colorado             | 1880, 82, 84           |
| Sommerkamp, F. M.   | Georgia              | 1906, 08, 12           |
| Soule, William      | Connecticut          | 1886, 88               |
| Southwick, J. Carl  | South Dakota         | 1914, 16, 18, 20       |
| Spalding, J. F.     | Missouri             | 1880                   |
| Spear, R. L.        | Massachusetts        | 1871, 74, 75           |
| Spearing, J. H.     | Louisiana            | 1888, 90, 92, 1908, 10 |
| Spearing, J. Z.     | Louisiana            | 1898, 1900, 01         |
| Spencer, Hazelton   | Quebec               | 1916, 18               |
| Sprake, W. T.       | North Dakota         | 1902, 04, 06, 08       |
| Standish, Henry M.  | Utah                 | 1912, 14               |
| Stanton, John W.    | Montana              | 1910, 12, 14, 16       |
| Starkweather, C. H. | Nevada               | 1878                   |
| Stearman, Mark      | District of Columbia | 1916, 18               |
| Steele, R. G.       | Michigan             | 1906, 08               |
| Seese, James A.     | Pennsylvania         | 1912, 14, 16, 18, 20   |
| Stein, Benjamin H.  | Mississippi          | 1916, 18, 20           |
| Steiner, J. A.      | Maryland             | 1871                   |
| Steinhart, Albert   | Alabama              | 1888, 90, 92, 94       |
| Stevens, A. B.      | Massachusetts        | 1876, 77, 78           |
| Stevenson, Gustavus | Nebraska             | 1873                   |
| Stevenson, John     | New York             | 1920                   |
| Stevenson, J. R.    | Washington           | 1908                   |
| Stewart, William A. | Maritime Provinces   | 1918, 20               |
| Stewart, William B. | Tennessee            | 1920                   |
| Stobart, A. J.      | Minnesota            | 1902, 04               |
| Stokes, J. S.       | Connecticut          | 1900                   |
| Stone, A. J.        | Minnesota            | 1877, 78               |
| Story, Albert       | New Hampshire        | 1878                   |
| Stotzer, John       | Pennsylvania         | 1875, 76, 77           |
| Stout, J. H.        | West Virginia        | 1884, 86               |
| Stout, W. Frank     | West Virginia        | 1916, 18, 20           |
| Stratman, John      | California           | 1871                   |
| Stratton, Henry W.  | Tennessee            | 1918, 20               |
| Stratton, J. M.     | Pennsylvania         | 1896, 98               |
| Stratton, Robert    | Minnesota            | 1900, 01, 02           |
| Street, Webster     | Arizona              | 1892, 94, 1900, 01, 02 |
| Strite, A. C.       | Maryland             | 1902, 04, 06, 08       |
| Strong, Orno        | Washington           | 1912                   |
| Stumpf, G. F.       | New Jersey           | 1877, 78               |
| Stumph, J. B.       | Indiana              | 1872, 73, 74           |
| Sullinger, J. W.    | Missouri             | 1900, 01, 02, 04, 06   |
| Sutor, J. H.        | West Virginia        | 1869, 70, 71           |
| Sutphen, J. T.      | Ohio                 | 1896, 98, 1900, 01, 02 |
| Sweezy, J. A.       | Michigan             | 1882, 84               |
| Swygard, J. P.      | Missouri             | 1877                   |
| Tarbell, L. L.      | Massachusetts        | 1892, 94               |
| Tawney, G. P.       | Minnesota            | 1904, 06, 08, 10       |
| Taylor, Benjamin A. | Alabama              | 1920                   |
| Taylor, F. W.       | Rhode Island         | 1894, 96               |
| Taylor, G. F.       | Alabama              | 1878, 80               |



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| Terrell, C. A.         | Alabama          | 1880                                               |
| Thayer, J. H.          | South Carolina   | 1906                                               |
| Thomas, D. G.          | Wyoming          | 1896                                               |
| Thomas, O. P.          | Texas            | 1908, 10, 12, 14                                   |
| Thompson, Harry A.     | Pennsylvania     | 1914, 16, 20                                       |
| Thompson, H. T.        | South Carolina   | 1900                                               |
| Thompson, John A.      | Maryland         | 1868                                               |
| Thompson, J. L.        | Delaware         | 1869, 70, 71                                       |
| Thompson, W. B.        | Tennessee        | 1872, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78                       |
| Tillman, J. N.         | Arkansas         | 1906, 08, 10, 12, 14                               |
| Tilton, N. R.          | Rhode Island     | 1873                                               |
| Tindall, C. A.         | Indiana          | 1908, 10                                           |
| Tindle, W. H.          | Maryland         | 1871                                               |
| Tinker, C. F. O.       | Vermont          | 1892, 94                                           |
| Tipton, W. E.          | South Dakota     | 1894, 96, 1900, 01, 02                             |
| Tompkins, E. G.        | Virginia         | 1868                                               |
| Tonkin, Fred H.        | Washington       | 1918                                               |
| Torreyson, J. D.       | Nevada           | 1902, 04                                           |
| Towers, Thomas         | Ontario          | 1920                                               |
| Troy, W. C.            | North Carolina   | 1880, 82                                           |
| Trump, John            | Kansas           | 1876, 77                                           |
| Tucker, J. B.          | Delaware         | 1892, 94                                           |
| Tufts, A. A.           | Arkansas         | 1888                                               |
| Tuley, C. P.           | Indiana          | 1877, 78                                           |
| Turner, D. J.          | Virginia         | 1880, 84, 86, 88, 90, 92, 94, 96, 98, 1900, 01, 02 |
| Turner, Francis        | Maryland         | 1869, 70, 72                                       |
| Turner, W. H.          | Georgia          | 1874                                               |
| Tustin, S. P.          | Maryland         | 1898, 1900, 01, 04, 06                             |
| Twinam, John C.        | Tennessee        | 1912, 14                                           |
| Tyler, C. K.           | Vermont          | 1904, 06                                           |
| Tyler, H. A.           | Connecticut      | 1871, 76                                           |
| Tyson, W. J.           | Virginia         | 1871                                               |
| Ulrich, A. C.          | Ohio             | 1876, 77                                           |
| Upshaw, T. M.          | Oklahoma         | 1892, 94, 96                                       |
| Usher, B. B.           | Illinois         | 1873                                               |
| Usilton, S. S.         | Maryland         | 1871                                               |
| Van de Walker, Hugh E. | Michigan         | 1918                                               |
| Van Valkenberg, John   | Iowa             | 1876, 77, 78, 80, 82                               |
| Vaughn, John B.        | Illinois         | 1912, 14, 16, 18, 20                               |
| Verdenal, J. M.        | California       | 1872, 73                                           |
| Vincent, H. M.         | Alberta          | 1910                                               |
| Vogel, John H.         | Montana          | 1920                                               |
| Waddle, J. A.          | Oregon           | 1896, 98                                           |
| Wade, W. A.            | Tennessee        | 1890                                               |
| Wade, W. H.            | Virginia         | 1871, 72, 73, 74                                   |
| Wadley, William H.     | Colorado         | 1916, 18                                           |
| Wadsworth, H. M.       | Pennsylvania     | 1896, 98, 1902, 04, 06, 08                         |
| Wadsworth, J. B.       | Alabama          | 1904                                               |
| Wagner, Walter D.      | California       | 1912                                               |
| Wagoner, G. C. R.      | Missouri         | 1896, 98                                           |
| Waldo, J. F. C.        | Louisiana        | 1906, 08                                           |
| Walker, H. D.          | Iowa             | 1884                                               |
| Walker, John S.        | Minnesota        | 1872, 73, 74                                       |
| Walker, L. A.          | Montana          | 1892, 94                                           |
| Wallace, Spence        | Ohio             | 1912, 14                                           |
| Ward, D. E.            | Indian Territory | 1896, 98                                           |
| Ward, DeForrest        | Minnesota        | 1914, 16, 20                                       |

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| Ward, William         | New Jersey           | 1878, 80, 82, 84, 86                   |
| Warner, G. P.         | West Virginia        | 1888, 90                               |
| Warner, Richard I.    | Wisconsin            | 1916, 18, 20                           |
| Watkins, James E.     | Pennsylvania         | 1914, 16                               |
| Watson, Albert        | Illinois             | 1914                                   |
| Watson, James E.      | Indiana              | 1896, 98, 1900, 01, 02, 04, 14, 16, 18 |
| Webb, C. A.           | North Carolina       | 1898, 1900, 01, 02                     |
| Webb, Thos. H.        | North Carolina       | 1910, 16                               |
| Webb, William E.      | Missouri             | 1902, 04, 06                           |
| Webster, E. K.        | New Hampshire        | 1890                                   |
| Weed, H. I.           | Wisconsin            | 1896, 08, 1900, 01, 02                 |
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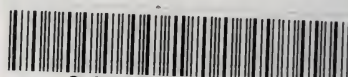




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